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## Disclaimer

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This document includes information about the 24 teams and their head coaches, as well as a head-to-head review of each side's 18 possible opponents for the final round. These records include all matches played in UEFA European Championship and FIFA World Cup qualifying competitions and final rounds. Only results during normal playing time and extra time are taken into account.

UEFA EURO 2016 is the first 24-team finals. The UEFA European Championship started life as a four-team knockout competition in 1960, adding four more teams and a group stage in 1980 before adopting the system of four groups of four and knockout stages from the quarter-finals onwards between 1996 and 2012.

For statistical purposes, Germany's results include the Federal Republic of Germany; Russia's includes the Soviet Union while both the Czech Republic and Slovakia take Czechoslovakia's results. Ukraine and Croatia are considered only as independent nations rather than as part of the Soviet Union and Yugoslavia respectively.

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## Pots

POT 1	POT 2	POT 3	POT 4
 France*	 Italy	 Czech Republic	 Turkey
 Spain	 Russia	 Sweden	 Republic of Ireland
 Germany	 Switzerland	 Poland	 Iceland
 England	 Austria	 Romania	 Wales
 Portugal	 Croatia	 Slovakia	 Albania
 Belgium	 Ukraine	 Hungary	 Northern Ireland

\* Hosts France will be automatically assigned as the top seeds in Group A

# How the draw will work

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## 18.00CET, 12 December 2015, Paris

### Draw procedure

The 23 qualifiers are divided into four pots based on UEFA national coefficients with Spain, as the reigning European champions, assured of a place in Pot 1 having qualified. France are not included in the pots as they are automatically assigned as team A1 so Pot 1 has five teams.

The teams will be drawn into six groups of four teams each (Groups A to F). The draw starts with Pot 1. One ball is drawn and the team is assigned to Group B, position B1; a second ball is drawn and the team is assigned to Group C, position C1; and so on till Group F.

The draw continues with Pot 4. A ball is drawn and the team assigned to Group A. The position of this team within Group A is also determined by draw. A second ball is drawn from Pot 4 and assigned to Group B; again the position within Group B is drawn. The procedure is repeated for all teams in Pot 4.

The draw continues with Pot 3 and concludes with Pot 2. Each time a team is drawn the position within the relevant group is determined by draw. The top two in each plus the four best third-placed sides advance to the knockout phase.

### • Knockout system

#### Round of 16 (all times CET)

Match 1: Runner-up Group A v Runner-up C (15.00, 25 June, St-Etienne)

Match 2: Winner D v Third-place B/E/F (21.00, 25 June, Lens)

Match 3: Winner B v Third-place A/C/D (18.00, 25 June, Paris)

Match 4: Winner F v Runner-up E (21.00, 26 June, Toulouse)

Match 5: Winner C v Third-place A/B/F (18.00, 26 June, Lille)

Match 6: Winner E v Runner-up D (18.00, 27 June, St-Denis)

Match 7: Winner A v Third-place C/D/E (15.00, 26 June, Lyon)

Match 8: Runner-up B v Runner-up F (21.00, 27 June, Nice)

• For which third place team will play in each tie, see Article 17.03 of the Official Regulations

#### Quarter-finals

1: Winner Match 1 v Winner Match 2 (21.00, 30 June, Marseille)

2: Winner Match 3 v Winner Match 4 (21.00, 1 July, Lille)

3: Winner Match 5 v Winner Match 6 (21.00, 2 July, Bordeaux)

4: Winner Match 7 v Winner Match 8 (21.00, 3 July, St-Denis)

#### Semi-finals

1: Winner QF1 v Winner QF2 (21.00, 6 July, Lyon)

2: Winner QF3 v Winner QF4 (21.00, 7 July, Marseille)

#### Final

Winner SF1 v Winner SF2 (21.00, 10 July, St-Denis)

## Draw hosts and ambassadors

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### Draw hosts

#### Ruud Gullit

**Date of birth:** 01/09/62

**Nationality:** Netherlands

**Playing career:** HFC Haarlem (1979–82), Feyenoord (1982–85), PSV Eindhoven (1985–87), AC Milan (1987–93), UC Sampdoria (1993–94), AC Milan (1994–95), UC Sampdoria (1994–95), Chelsea FC (1995–98), Netherlands (1981–94)

**Coaching career:** Chelsea FC (1996–98), Newcastle United FC (1998–99), Feyenoord (2004–05), LA Galaxy (2007–08), FC Terek Grozny (2011)

- Emerged alongside Johan Cruyff in Feyenoord's 1983/84 double-winning team and came to the fore as a total footballer at PSV. Recruited by Milan, together with fellow Dutchman Marco van Basten, in 1987 for a world-record fee, he made a stunning start to life in Serie A and was voted Ballon d'Or winner at the end of that year; with Van Basten injured, he was the inspiration behind the Rossoneri's first Italian title in nine years.
- In 1988 he skippered the Netherlands to victory at the UEFA European Championship in West Germany, scoring a formidable header to put the Oranje 1-0 up in the final against the Soviet Union.
- He would appear in just one FIFA World Cup – Italia '90 – but was back to his commanding best at EURO '92, where the Netherlands' title defence was derailed by Denmark in a semi-final shoot-out. In all he won 66 caps, scoring 17 goals.
- With Milan, Gullit landed back-to-back European Champion Clubs' Cups, netting twice in the 1989 final against FC Steaua Bucureşti and recovering from a season-long injury to play in the 1990 decider against SL Benfica.
- His eight-year sojourn in Italy closed with a move to England, where he merged the end of his playing days with the start of a coaching career at Chelsea, picking up the FA Cup as player-manager in 1997; he subsequently had short spells in charge of Newcastle, Feyenoord, LA Galaxy and Terek.

#### Honours

UEFA European Championship: 1988

European Champion Clubs' Cup: 1989, 1990

UEFA Super Cup: 1990

European/South American Cup: 1990

Ballon d'Or: 1987

Dutch Eredivisie: 1984, 1986, 1987

Italian Serie A: 1988, 1992, 1993

Dutch Cup: 1984

Coppa Italia: 1994

English FA Cup: 1997

#### Bixente Lizarazu

**Date of birth:** 09/12/69

**Nationality:** France

**Playing career:** FC Girondins de Bordeaux (1988–96), Athletic Club (1996–97), FC Bayern München (1997–2004), Olympique de Marseille (2004), FC Bayern München (2005–06), France (1992–2004)

- Born in the French part of the Basque country, left-back Lizarazu launched his career with Bordeaux. Although he won no trophies with the club, he helped Les Girondins reach the UEFA Cup final in 1996.
- He moved that year to Bilbao to join Athletic but remained in Spain just one season before signing for Bayern – the team that had beaten Bordeaux in the UEFA Cup final.
- First capped by France in 1992, he became a pivotal member of the side that got to the semi-finals of EURO '96 before lifting the FIFA World Cup – on home soil – two years later and adding the European crown at UEFA EURO 2000; he ended a highly successful international career in 2004 with 97 caps (and two goals).
- Despite suffering many injuries during a nine-year stay at Bayern – interrupted only by a six-month sojourn at Marseille in autumn 2004 – he claimed five Bundesliga titles, five German Cups and four German League Cups.
- In 2001 he also won the UEFA Champions League and European/South American Cup, thus becoming world and European champion at club and international levels at the same time. Retired from playing in 2006 as the most decorated French footballer of all time, later working as a pundit on French television.

#### Honours

UEFA European Championship: 2000  
FIFA World Cup: 1998  
UEFA Champions League: 2001  
European/South American Cup: 2001  
UEFA.com users' Team of the Year: 2001  
FIFA Confederations Cup: 2001, 2003  
French Ligue 2: 1992  
German Bundesliga: 1999, 2000, 2001, 2003, 2006  
German Cup: 1998, 2000, 2003, 2005, 2006  
German League Cup: 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000

## EURO Legends

### Oliver Bierhoff

**Date of birth:** 01/05/1968

**Position:** Forward

Germany were trailing 1-0 to the Czech Republic in the EURO '96 final when Berti Vogts introduced Udinese Calcio striker Bierhoff midway through the second half. Within four minutes he had headed his team level, then five minutes into extra time he struck the first major international golden goal. Germany had a new national hero though for Bierhoff, who had only made his international debut a few months earlier, it was just the start. He went on to star for AC Milan and won his 70th and final cap in the 2002 World Cup final, bowing out with 37 goals. He now has a senior role at the German Football Association (DFB).

### Angelos Charisteas

**Date of birth:** 09/02/1980

**Position:** Forward

Heroes abounded for Greece at UEFA EURO 2004, but no one was more deserving than the scorer of winning headers both in the final against hosts Portugal and in the last-eight defeat of holders France. Charisteas was that man. He also found the net in the group game against Spain, but his contribution to Greece's glorious journey was about more than goals. Willing, adaptable and indefatigable, he looked fresh – although he came to the finals as a German double-winner, his contribution to SV Werder Bremen's success had been peripheral. Greece's second highest all-time scorer, club success has continued to elude the tall striker during spells in the Netherlands, Germany, France and Greece among others.

### Vicente Del Bosque

**Date of birth:** 23/12/1950

**Position:** midfielder

Winner of five league titles and four Spanish Cups with Real Madrid CF, Del Bosque ended his Spain career at the 1980 UEFA European Championship in Italy – his only major tournament as a player. Joined Madrid's coaching staff shortly after hanging up his boots in 1984 and, after many years in youth development, took over as first-team coach in November 1999. Landed seven trophies including two UEFA Champions Leagues and two Spanish titles, leaving in 2003, and succeeded Luis Aragonés as Spain coach in July 2008. Set a global record by winning his opening 13 matches and guided Spain to a first FIFA World Cup in South Africa before successfully defending their continental crown at UEFA EURO 2012.

### Antonín Panenka

**Date of birth:** 02/12/1948

**Position:** Midfielder

The standout moment of Panenka's long career came in Belgrade on 20 June 1976 when he scored Czechoslovakia'swinning penalty against West Germany in the UEFA European Championship final shoot-out. Displaying nerves of steel, the midfielder audaciously lifted the ball over the diving Sepp Maier into the centre of the goal – a cheeky chip that would forever bear his name. The FC Bohemians Praha playmaker played at the 1980 finals and the 1982 FIFA World Cup, where he scored two more penalties, and also helped SK Rapid Wien to the 1985 European Cup Winners' Cup final as the competition's joint highest scorer.

### David Trezeguet

**Date of birth:** 15/10/1977

**Position:** Forward

When Trezeguet's thumping shot soared into the roof of Italy's net 13 minutes into extra time during the UEFA EURO 2000 final, the super-sub became a French national hero. 'Trezegol', a penalty-box predator, also scored the vital winner against Iceland in France's last qualifier nine months earlier and struck 34 in 71 international appearances but was never really sure of a starting place. His penalty miss in the 2006 FIFA World Cup final shoot-out enabled Italy to extract revenge. The striker left AS Monaco FC for Juventus after his 2000 heroics and went on to become the club's

most prolific foreign marksman of all time.

## Facts & figures

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### UEFA European Football Championship final tournament: Did you know?

- Spain (1964, 2008, 2012) and Germany (1972, 1980 – both as West Germany – 1996) are the competition's most successful sides having lifted the trophy three times each. Only France (1984, 2000) have also triumphed more than once.
- Only three teams have ever won the UEFA European Championship on home soil: Spain (1964), Italy (1968) and France (1984).
- In 2012 Spain became the first nation to retain the Henri Delaunay Cup, having also won in 2008. The Soviet Union (1960, 1964) and West Germany (1972, 1976) returned to the final as holders only to lose.
- Eight players have appeared in two victorious finals – Iker Casillas, Sergio Ramos, Andrés Iniesta, Xavi Hernández, Cesc Fàbregas and David Silva all started Spain's triumphs in 2008 and 2012, with Fernando Torres starting in 2008 and coming on four years later and Xabi Alonso coming on in the 2008 final and starting in 2012. Rainer Bonhof twice picked up a winners' medal with West Germany (1972, 1980) but did not play in either tournament.
- Berti Vogts was a winner as a player with West Germany in 1972 and as Germany coach in 1996, making him the only man to triumph in both roles.
- Since 1980, when the final tournament expanded to become an eight-team event, the hosts or co-hosts have only failed to reach the semi-finals – or better – four times: Italy (1980), Belgium (2000), Austria and Switzerland (2008) and Poland and Ukraine (2012).
- UEFA EURO 2016 will be Germany's 12th successive UEFA European Championship final tournament – they last missed out as West Germany in 1968.
- Germany are appearing in the finals for the 12th time, one more than Russia (includes appearances as USSR). This is the tenth tournament for Spain.
- Six teams have qualified for the finals with a perfect record, including England this time round. The others are France (1992 and 2004), the Czech Republic (2000) and Spain and Germany (2012).
- The Netherlands' 6-1 defeat of Yugoslavia in the UEFA EURO 2000 quarter-finals is the biggest win in a final tournament. Three games have finished 5-0, most recently Sweden's 2004 defeat of Bulgaria.
- Three teams have held the UEFA European Championship and FIFA World Cup at the same time. West Germany won the European title in 1972 and added the world crown two years later, while France claimed the 1998 World Cup and UEFA EURO 2000 and Spain triumphed at UEFA EURO 2008 and the 2010 World Cup. Spain's 2012 EURO victory made them the first country to win three major tournaments in a row; West Germany were within a shoot-out of achieving the feat before their 1976 loss to Czechoslovakia.
- For West Germany, Sepp Maier, Franz Beckenbauer, Hans-Georg Schwarzenbeck, Paul Breitner, Uli Hoeness and Gerd Müller played in both those finals, while Fabien Barthez, Marcel Desailly, Bixente Lizarazu, Lilian Thuram, Didier Deschamps, Youri Djorkaeff, Patrick Vieira, Zinédine Zidane and Christophe Dugarry achieved the feat for France.
- Iker Casillas, Sergio Ramos, Carles Puyol, Joan Capdevila, Andrés Iniesta, Xavi Hernández, Cesc Fàbregas, Xabi Alonso and Fernando Torres played in Spain's 2008 EURO final win and the 2010 World Cup success. Casillas, Ramos, Iniesta, Xavi, Fàbregas, Alonso and Torres appeared in all three of Spain's final wins between 2008 and 2012.
- In addition to the 24 players mentioned above, Dino Zoff (Italy 1968, 1982) and Germany's Thomas Hässler and Jürgen Klinsmann (1990, 1996) also featured in two final triumphs.
- In 2012 Spain's Chelsea FC pair Fernando Torres and Juan Mata joined a small group of players to have appeared in European Cup and UEFA European Championship final victories in the same year. Luis Suárez achieved the feat with FC Internazionale Milano and Spain in 1964, while in 1988 PSV Eindhoven quartet Hans van Breucklen, Ronald Koeman, Barry van Aerle and Gerald Vanenburg were all in the victorious Netherlands side.
- Wim Kieft and Nicolas Anelka narrowly missed out on this club. A European Champion Clubs' Cup finalist with PSV in 1988, Kieft was an unused substitute in the Netherlands' European Championship triumph, while Anelka was similarly thwarted with France in 2000 after appearing in Real Madrid CF's UEFA Champions League final. Anelka's Madrid team-mate Christian Karembeu holds the unique position of being an unused substitute in European Cup and European Championship final victories in the same year.
- In 2008 Germany's Michael Ballack, then with Chelsea FC, became the first player to appear in European Cup and EURO final defeats in the same year.



- Four players have followed European Cup final defeat with EURO victory in the same year: Ignacio Zoco and Amancio Amaro (1964, Real Madrid CF and Spain) and Manny Kaltz and Horst Hrubesch (1980, Hamburger SV and West Germany).
- Lothar Matthäus is the oldest player to have appeared in a UEFA European Championship final; he was aged 39 years 91 days in Germany's 3-0 loss to Portugal at UEFA EURO 2000.
- The Netherlands' Jetro Willems is the youngest player to have featured; he was 18 years 71 days in the 1-0 defeat by Denmark at the 2012 finals.
- Six players have appeared in four final tournaments: Lothar Matthäus, Peter Schmeichel, Alessandro Del Piero, Edwin van der Sar, Lilian Thuram and Olof Mellberg.
- Austria's Ivica Vastic is the oldest player to have scored, having found the net in a 1-1 draw against Poland at UEFA EURO 2008 aged 38 years and 257 days.
- Johan Vonlanthen was 18 years and 141 days old when scoring in Switzerland's 3-1 defeat by France at UEFA EURO 2004, making him the youngest player to have struck at the finals.
- Russia's Dmitri Kirichenko scored the fastest goal in a UEFA European Championship; his effort against Greece at UEFA EURO 2004 was timed at 67 seconds.
- There have been eight hat-tricks in a final tournament: Dieter Müller (1976), Klaus Allofs (1980), Michel Platini (1984, twice), Marco van Basten (1988), Sérgio Conceição (2000), Patrick Kluivert (2000) and David Villa (2008).

#### UEFA European Championship final tournament: All-time records

##### • Leading scorer by tournament

1960: 2 François Heutte (FRA), Viktor Ponedelnik (URS), Valentin Ivanov (URS), Dražan Jerković (YUG)

1964: 2 Jesús María Pereda (ESP), Ferenc Bene (HUN), Deszö Novák (HUN)

1968: 2 Dragan Džajić (YUG)

1972: 4 Gerd Müller (FRG)

1976: 4 Dieter Müller (FRG)

1980: 3 Klaus Allofs (FRG)

1984: 9 Michel Platini (FRA)

1988: 5 Marco van Basten (NED)

1992: 3 Henrik Larsen (DEN), Karl-Heinz Riedle (GER), Dennis Bergkamp (NED), Tomas Brodin (SWE)

1996: 5 Alan Shearer (ENG)

2000: 5 Patrick Kluivert (NED), Savo Milošević (YUG)

2004: 5 Milan Baroš (CZE)

2008: 4 David Villa (ESP)

2012: 3 Fernando Torres (ESP), Alan Dzagoev (RUS), Mario Gomez (GER), Mario Mandžukić (CRO), Mario Balotelli (ITA), Cristiano Ronaldo (POR)

##### • Oldest player

39yrs 91days: Lothar Matthäus (Portugal 3-0 Germany, 20/06/00)

38yrs 308days: Morten Olsen (Italy 2-0 Denmark, 17/06/88)

38yrs 271days: Peter Shilton (England 1-3 Netherlands, 15/06/88)

##### • Youngest player

18 yrs 71 days: Jetro Willems (Netherlands 0-1 Denmark, 09/06/12)

18yrs 115days: Enzo Scifo (Belgium 2-0 Yugoslavia, 13/06/84)

18yrs 128days: Valeri Bozhinov (Italy 2-1 Bulgaria, 22/06/04)

##### • Oldest goalscorer

38yrs 257 days: Ivica Vastic (Austria 1-1 Poland, 12/06/08)

35yrs 77 days: Jan Koller (Turkey 3-2 Czech Republic, 15/06/08)

35yrs 62 days: Christian Panucci (Italy 1-1 Romania, 13/06/08)

##### • Youngest goalscorer

18yrs 141days: Johan Vonlanthen (Switzerland 1-3 France, 21/06/04)

18yrs 237days: Wayne Rooney (England 3-0 Switzerland, 17/06/04)

##### • Most goals in a match

9 (4-5): France v Yugoslavia (06/07/60)

7 (6-1): Netherlands v Yugoslavia (25/06/00)

7 (3-4): Yugoslavia v Spain (21/06/00)

##### • Biggest victory

6-1: Netherlands v Yugoslavia (25/06/00)

5-0: Sweden v Bulgaria (14/06/04)

5-0: Denmark v Yugoslavia (16/06/84)

5-0: France v Belgium (16/06/84)

#### • Hat-tricks

Dieter Müller (West Germany 4-2 Yugoslavia, semi-finals 17/06/76)

Klaus Allofs (West Germany 3-2 Netherlands, group stage 14/06/80)

Michel Platini (France 5-0 Belgium, group stage 16/06/84)

Michel Platini (France 3-2 Yugoslavia, group stage 19/06/84)

Marco van Basten (Netherlands 3-1 England, group stage 15/06/88)

Sérgio Conceição (Portugal 3-0 Germany, group stage 20/06/00)

Patrick Kluivert (Netherlands 6-1 Yugoslavia, quarter-finals 25/06/00)

David Villa (Spain 4-1 Russia, group stage 10/06/08)

#### • Fastest hat-trick

18mins: Michel Platini (France 3-2 Yugoslavia, 19/06/84)

#### • Fastest goals

1 min 7 secs: Dmitri Kirichenko (Russia 2-1 Greece, 20/06/04)

2 mins 7 secs: Sergei Aleinikov (England 1-3 Soviet Union, 18/06/88)

2 mins 14 secs: Alan Shearer (Germany 1-1 England, 26/06/96)

2 mins 25 secs: Michael Owen (Portugal 2-2 England, 24/06/04)

2 mins 27 secs: Hristo Stoichkov (Bulgaria 1-0 Romania, 13/06/96)

2 mins 42 secs: Paul Scholes (Portugal 3-2 England, 17/06/00)

#### • Appearances

#### • Players

#### Overall

54: Gianluigi Buffon (Italy)

51: Mario Frick (Liechtenstein)

48: Iker Casillas (Spain)

47: Petr Čech (Czech Republic)

47: Sargis Hovsepyan (Armenia)

47: Robbie Keane (Republic of Ireland)

47: Lilian Thuram (France)

46: Sergei Ignashevich (Russia)

44: Andreas Isaksson (Sweden)

44: Kim Källström (Sweden)

43: Vitālijs Astafjevs (Latvia)

43: Darijo Srna (Croatia)

42: Peter Jehle (Liechtenstein)

41: Cristiano Ronaldo (Portugal)

#### Final tournament

16: Lilian Thuram (France)

16: Edwin van der Sar (Netherlands)

14: Iker Casillas (Spain)

14: Philipp Lahm (Germany)

14: Luís Figo (Portugal)

14: Nuno Gomes (Portugal)

14: Karel Poborský (Czech Republic)

14: Cristiano Ronaldo (Portugal)

14: Zinédine Zidane (France)

#### Teams

#### • Final tournament

11: West Germany/Germany

10: Soviet Union/Russia

9: Spain; Netherlands

8: Czech Republic; Denmark; England; France; Italy

#### • Appearing in four finals tournaments

Lothar Matthäus (West Germany/Germany 1980, 1984, 1988, 2000)

Peter Schmeichel (Denmark 1988, 1992, 1996, 2000)  
Alessandro Del Piero (Italy 1996, 2000, 2004, 2008)  
Edwin van der Sar (Netherlands 1996, 2000, 2004, 2008)  
Lilian Thuram (France, 1996, 2000, 2004, 2008)  
Olof Mellberg (Sweden, 2000, 2004, 2008, 2012)

• **Goals**

**Overall**

26: Cristiano Ronaldo (Portugal)  
23: Robbie Keane (Republic of Ireland)  
22: Zlatan Ibrahimović (Sweden)  
22: Jon Dahl Tomasson (Denmark)  
22: Hakan Şükür (Turkey)  
21: Jan Koller (Czech Republic)  
20: Davor Šuker (Yugoslavia/Croatia)  
19: Klaas-Jan Huntelaar (Netherlands)  
19: Miroslav Klose (Germany)  
19: Raúl González (Spain)  
19: Wayne Rooney (England)  
18: Thierry Henry (France)  
18: David Villa (Spain)  
18: Zlatko Zahovič (Slovenia)

**Final tournament**

9: Michel Platini (France)  
7: Alan Shearer (England)  
6: Zlatan Ibrahimović (Sweden)  
6: Cristiano Ronaldo (Portugal)  
6: Thierry Henry (France)  
6: Patrick Kluivert (Netherlands)  
6: Nuno Gomes (Portugal)  
6: Ruud van Nistelrooy (Netherlands)


## Team profiles: Pot 1

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 France\*

 Spain

 Germany

 England

 Portugal

 Belgium

\* Hosts France will be automatically assigned as the top seeds in Group A

## France

### France - Team profile

**Best result:** Winners (1984, 2000)

**Coach:** Didier Deschamps

**Leading scorer:** all time – Thierry Henry (51); current – Karim Benzema (27)

**Most appearances:** all time – Lilian Thuram (142); current – Karim Benzema (81)

**Association formed:** 1919

**Nickname:** Les Bleus (The Blues)

**Where they play:** Stade de France, Saint-Denis

Les Bleus have a happy habit of fulfilling expectations on home soil. They won the 1984 UEFA European Championship, when Michel Platini drove them to victory with a record-breaking final tournament haul of nine goals, and claimed the FIFA World Cup for the one and only time in 1998 when another famous No10, Zinedine Zidane, inspired them to victory with two goals in the final against Brazil (3-0). Also winners at UEFA EURO 2000, and World Cup runners-up to Italy in 2006, France have struggled to make the same impact at recent major tournaments, falling at the group stage in 2008 and 2010 and exiting in the quarter-finals of UEFA EURO 2012 and the 2014 World Cup.

#### EURO pedigree

##### Matches played

**Overall:** P134 W74 D34 L26 F255 A124

**Final tournament:** P32 W15 D8 L9 F49 A39

**Qualifying:** P102 W59 D26 L17 F206 A85

France have been ever present in the EURO finals since missing out in 1988, an early end to the defence of the trophy they had lifted on home turf four years earlier. Their second victory came at UEFA EURO 2000, Roger Lemerre's side becoming only the second team after West Germany (1972, 1974) to hold the world and European titles at the same time.

It was a close-run thing. Zidane's extra-time penalty settled a tense semi-final against Portugal before Sylvain Wiltord saved them from a showpiece loss to Italy with a last-gasp equaliser, setting the scene for David Trezeguet's golden-goal winner. Automatic qualifiers as hosts, France will attempt to join Spain on three EURO titles in 2016, having suffered a 2-0 defeat by La Roja in the UEFA EURO 2012 quarter-finals.

#### Memorable EURO matches

##### 02/07/2000: France 2-1 Italy (aet), UEFA EURO 2000 final

A breathtaking comeback was capped by Trezeguet's first-time finish, a golden-goal decider.

##### 27/06/1984: France 2-0 Spain, 1984 UEFA European Championship final

Platini's ninth goal of the finals set the hosts on the way to their first major trophy.

##### 23/06/1984: France 3-2 Portugal (aet), 1984 UEFA European Championship semi-final

With a penalty shoot-out looming, Platini struck the decisive blow in a thrilling match.

#### Did you know?

France are the only country apart from Germany and Spain (both three) to have won the UEFA European Championship more than once.

\*Last updated 17/11/15

## France - Coach profile

### Didier Deschamps

**Date of birth:** 15 October 1968

**Nationality:** French

**Playing career:** FC Nantes, Olympique de Marseille (twice), FC Girondins de Bordeaux, Juventus, Chelsea FC, Valencia CF

**Coaching career:** AS Monaco FC, Juventus, Olympique de Marseille, France

- A product of Nantes's highly rated youth system, Deschamps had success with Marseille as a defensive midfielder, winning Ligue 1 in 1990 and 1992 and captaining them to UEFA Champions League glory in 1993.
- Signed for Juve in 1994 and won the UEFA Champions League again in 1996, adding three Serie A titles, a Coppa Italia and a European/South American Cup. Left in 1999 for Chelsea, staying one season and lifting the FA Cup, before ending his career with a year in Valencia, watching from the bench as they lost the 2001 UEFA Champions League final to FC Bayern München.
- Skipped France to victory on home soil at the 1998 FIFA World Cup and also at UEFA EURO 2000, retiring that year with 103 caps.
- Started coaching career in 2001 with Monaco, landing the French League Cup in 2003 and reaching the UEFA Champions League final a year later, going down to José Mourinho's FC Porto. Resigned in September 2005 and joined his old club Juventus, then in Serie B, the following June. Stepped down after securing promotion back to Serie A in May 2007.
- Appointed Marseille boss in May 2009, replacing Eric Gerets. Ended OM's 18-year wait for the Ligue 1 championship in his first term and added a maiden League Cup, retaining the latter trophy in the next two campaigns. Succeeded Laurent Blanc after UEFA EURO 2012 and guided France to the 2014 World Cup via the play-offs, triggering a contract extension that ensured he would remain in charge for the 2016 finals on home soil. Took Les Bleus to the last eight in Brazil, losing to eventual winners Germany.

## France - Team facts

### EURO record

	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
Overall	134	74	34	26	255	124
Final tournament	32	15	8	9	49	39
Qualifying	102	59	26	17	206	85

### UEFA European Championship records: France

#### History

2012 – quarter-finals  
 2008 – group stage  
 2004 – quarter-finals  
 2000 – winners  
 1996 – semi-finals  
 1992 – group stage  
 1988 – did not qualify  
 1984 – winners  
 1980 – did not qualify  
 1976 – did not qualify  
 1972 – did not qualify  
 1968 – quarter-finals  
 1964 – quarter-finals  
 1960 – fourth place

#### Final tournament win

**5-0:** France v Belgium, 16/06/84

#### Final tournament defeat

**4-1:** Netherlands v France, 13/06/08

#### Qualifying win

**10-0:** France v Azerbaijan, 06/09/95

#### Qualifying defeat

**5-1:** Yugoslavia v France, 24/04/68

#### Final tournament appearances

**16:** Lilian Thuram  
**14:** Zinédine Zidane  
**13:** Laurent Blanc  
**13:** Didier Deschamps  
**12:** Marcel Desailly  
**12:** Bixente Lizarazu

#### Final tournament goals

**9:** Michel Platini  
**6:** Thierry Henry  
**5:** Zinédine Zidane

#### Overall appearances

**47:** Lilian Thuram  
**36:** Didier Deschamps  
**35:** Laurent Blanc  
**34:** Marcel Desailly  
**33:** Zinédine Zidane

#### Overall goals

**18:** Thierry Henry  
**12:** Jean-Pierre Papin  
**12:** David Trezeguet  
**11:** Zinédine Zidane  
**11:** Youri Djorkaeff

**UEFA EURO and FIFA World Cup campaigns**

Season	Competition	Result	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
2014	World Cup qualifying	Play-off for Final Tournament (qualified)	10	6	2	2	18	8
2012	EURO finals	Quarter-finals	4	1	1	2	3	5
2012	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	10	6	3	1	15	4
2010	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 4th in group	3	0	1	2	1	4
2010	World Cup qualifying	Play-off for Final Tournament (qualified)	12	7	4	1	20	10
2008	EURO finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 4th in group	3	0	1	2	1	6
2008	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group (qualified)	12	8	2	2	25	5
2006	World Cup finals	Final	7	4	3	0	9	3
2006	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	10	5	5	0	14	2
2004	EURO finals	Quarter-finals	4	2	1	1	7	5
2004	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	8	8	0	0	29	2
2002	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 4th in group	3	0	1	2	0	3
2000	EURO finals	Winner	6	5	0	1	13	7
2000	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 1st in group (qualified)	10	6	3	1	17	10
1998	World Cup finals	Winner	7	6	1	0	15	2
1996	EURO finals	Semi-finals	5	2	3	0	5	2
1996	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 2nd in group (qualified)	10	5	5	0	22	2
1994	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	10	6	1	3	17	10
1992	EURO finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	3	0	2	1	2	3
1992	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 1st in group (qualified)	8	8	0	0	20	6
1990	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	8	3	3	2	10	7
1988	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 3rd in group	8	1	4	3	4	7
1986	World Cup finals	3rd place	7	4	2	1	12	6
1986	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	8	5	1	2	15	4
1984	EURO finals	Winner	5	5	0	0	14	4
1982	World Cup finals	4th place	7	3	2	2	16	12
1982	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group (qualified)	8	5	0	3	20	8
1980	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 2nd in group	6	4	1	1	13	7
1978	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	3	1	0	2	5	5
1978	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	4	2	1	1	7	4
1976	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 3rd in group	6	1	3	2	7	6
1974	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	4	1	1	2	3	5
1972	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 3rd in group	6	3	1	2	10	8
1970	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	4	2	0	2	6	4
1968	EURO qualifying	Quarter-finals	8	4	2	2	16	12
1966	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 4th in group	3	0	1	2	2	5
1966	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	6	5	0	1	9	2
1964	EURO qualifying	Quarter-finals	6	2	1	3	11	10
1962	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	5	3	0	2	10	4
1960	EURO finals	4th place	2	0	0	2	4	7
1960	EURO qualifying	Quarter-finals (qualified)	4	3	1	0	17	6
1958	World Cup finals	3rd place	6	4	0	2	23	15
1958	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	4	3	1	0	19	4
1954	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	2	1	0	1	3	3



**UEFA EURO and FIFA World Cup campaigns**

1954	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	4	4	0	0	20	4
1950	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	3	0	2	1	4	5
1938	World Cup finals	Quarter-finals	2	1	0	1	4	4
1934	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage	1	0	0	1	2	3
1934	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group (qualified)	1	1	0	0	6	1
1930	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 2nd in group	3	1	0	2	4	3

## France - Head to head against teams in other pots

### France v Albania

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
07/10/2011	UEFA EURO	Saint-Denis (FRA)	France - Albania	3 - 0
02/09/2011	UEFA EURO	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - France	1 - 2
30/03/1991	UEFA EURO	Paris (FRA)	France - Albania	5 - 0
17/11/1990	UEFA EURO	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - France	0 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	4	0	0	11	1
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	2	0	1	1	1	2

- Albania got the better of France in the two centralised friendlies played in conjunction with the UEFA EURO 2016 qualifying competition. They drew the first encounter 1-1 in Rennes before winning 1-0 at home in Elbasan thanks to a goal from Ergys Kaçe.
- France had won the four previous meetings – all UEFA European Championship qualifiers – with a goal difference of 11 for and one against.
- Les Bleus' biggest victory in that sequence was a 5-0 success at the Parc des Princes in EURO '92 qualifying, with Franck Sauzée and Jean-Pierre Papin both scoring twice.
- Albania's record cap holder Lorik Cana plays his club football in France at Nantes alongside international colleague Ermir Lenjani.

### France v Austria

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
14/10/2009	FIFA World Cup	Saint-Denis (FRA)	France - Austria	3 - 1
06/09/2008	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - France	3 - 1
27/03/1993	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - France	0 - 1
14/10/1992	FIFA World Cup	Paris (FRA)	France - Austria	2 - 0
28/06/1982	FIFA World Cup	Madrid (ESP)	Austria - France	0 - 1
27/03/1960	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - France	2 - 4 (agg: 4-9)
13/12/1959	UEFA EURO	Paris (FRA)	France - Austria	5 - 2
27/05/1934	FIFA World Cup	Turin (ITA)	Austria - France	3 - 2 (aet)

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	2	0	0	9	4
World Cup	6	4	0	2	10	7
Friendlies	15	6	2	7	20	29

- Austria were triumphant in all of the teams' first six meetings (five of them before World War Two), but France have had the upper hand since then, winning six of the last seven competitive fixtures.
- The only exception came in the qualifying competition for the 2010 FIFA World Cup when Austria won the opening fixture 3-1 in Vienna, with striker Marc Janko breaking the deadlock. Les Bleus reversed that scoreline in the return, but Janko was again on target.
- A single goal from France midfielder Bernard Genghini decided the 1982 World Cup second group stage encounter in Madrid – the last time the two countries met at a final tournament.

**France v Croatia****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
17/06/2004	UEFA EURO	Leiria (POR)	Croatia - France	2 - 2
08/07/1998	FIFA World Cup	Saint-Denis (FRA)	France - Croatia	2 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	1	0	1	0	2	2
World Cup	1	1	0	0	2	1
Friendlies	3	2	1	0	5	0

- The teams' first meeting came in the semi-final of the 1998 FIFA World Cup at the Stade de France. Davor Šuker, the tournament's top scorer, put Croatia in front but France replied immediately through Lilian Thuram, who also got the winner – the only international goals for the defender, who earned a record 142 caps for France.
- The sides were drawn in the same group at UEFA EURO 2004 and shared a 2-2 draw, David Trezeguet scoring the equaliser for France after Croatia had come from a goal behind to lead 2-1.
- The countries' most recent encounter, a friendly at the Stade de France on 29 March 2011, ended goalless.

**France v Czech Republic****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
16/06/2000	UEFA EURO	Bruges (BEL)	Czech Republic - France	1 - 2
26/06/1996	UEFA EURO	Manchester (ENG)	France - Czech Republic	0 - 0 (5-6p)
04/09/1991	UEFA EURO	Bratislava (SVK)	Czechoslovakia - France	1 - 2
13/10/1990	UEFA EURO	Paris (FRA)	France - Czechoslovakia	2 - 1
24/06/1982	FIFA World Cup	Valladolid (ESP)	France - Czechoslovakia	1 - 1
17/11/1979	UEFA EURO	Paris (FRA)	France - Czechoslovakia	2 - 1
04/04/1979	UEFA EURO	Bratislava (SVK)	Czechoslovakia - France	2 - 0
09/07/1960	UEFA EURO	Marseille (FRA)	Czechoslovakia - France	2 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	7	4	1	2	8	8
World Cup	1	0	1	0	1	1
Friendlies	15	4	4	7	23	26

- The Czech Republic reached the final of EURO '96 by defeating France on penalties after a 0-0 draw at Old Trafford. Czech captain Miroslav Kadleč scored the decisive spot kick.
- Four years later it was France's turn to triumph, beating the Czechs 2-1 in the group stage of UEFA EURO 2000 en route to lifting the trophy.
- The only meeting since then was a 2-0 Czech win at the Stade de France in a December 2003 friendly. It was the sole reverse suffered by then France coach Jacques Santini until his team lost 1-0 to Greece at UEFA EURO 2004.
- Czechoslovakia overcame France 2-0 in Marseille to finish third at the 1960 UEFA European Championship (or European Nations' Cup).
- Long-serving Czech midfielder Jaroslav Plašil plays his club football in France with Bordeaux.

## France v Hungary

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
09/06/1986	FIFA World Cup	Leon (MEX)	Hungary - France	0 - 3
10/06/1978	FIFA World Cup	Mar del Plata (ARG)	France - Hungary	3 - 1
09/10/1971	UEFA EURO	Paris (FRA)	France - Hungary	0 - 2
24/04/1971	UEFA EURO	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - France	1 - 1
23/05/1964	UEFA EURO	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - France	2 - 1 (agg: 5-2)
25/04/1964	UEFA EURO	Paris (FRA)	France - Hungary	1 - 3

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	0	1	3	3	8
World Cup	2	2	0	0	6	1
Friendlies	16	6	1	9	22	38

- Hungary have a superior head-to-head record against France overall, but Les Bleus have been victorious in each of the last five encounters.
- Two of those matches took place at the FIFA World Cup finals, France winning 3-1 at Argentina '78 and 3-0 at Mexico '86. Dominique Rocheteau scored the third goal for France in both games.
- Hungary have won three and drawn one of the teams' four fixtures in the UEFA European Championship – en route to reaching the final tournament in both 1964 and 1972.

## France v Iceland

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
09/10/1999	UEFA EURO	Saint-Denis (FRA)	France - Iceland	3 - 2
05/09/1998	UEFA EURO	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - France	1 - 1
20/11/1991	UEFA EURO	Paris (FRA)	France - Iceland	3 - 1
05/09/1990	UEFA EURO	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - France	1 - 2
29/04/1987	UEFA EURO	Paris (FRA)	France - Iceland	2 - 0
10/09/1986	UEFA EURO	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - France	0 - 0
03/09/1975	UEFA EURO	Nantes (FRA)	France - Iceland	3 - 0
25/05/1975	UEFA EURO	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - France	0 - 0
01/09/1957	FIFA World Cup	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - France	1 - 5
02/06/1957	FIFA World Cup	Nantes (FRA)	France - Iceland	8 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	8	5	3	0	14	5
World Cup	2	2	0	0	13	1
Friendlies	1	1	0	0	3	2

- Iceland are still seeking a first victory after 11 matches against France, who have won eight of them.
- Ten of the fixtures have been qualifying games, the last eight in the UEFA European Championship. The most memorable was the most recent as France triumphed 3-2 in Saint-Denis, David Trezeguet scoring the winner after Iceland had recovered a 2-0 deficit, to book their place at UEFA EURO 2000.
- The only friendly between the two countries took place in Valenciennes in May 2012, this time France coming back from two goals down to claim another 3-2 victory. Adil Rami settled matters in the 87th minute.
- Kolbeinn Sigthórsson, who registered for Iceland in that Valenciennes friendly, plays his club football in France with Nantes.

**France v Italy****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
17/06/2008	UEFA EURO	Zurich (SUI)	France - Italy	0 - 2
08/09/2007	UEFA EURO	Milan (ITA)	Italy - France	0 - 0
06/09/2006	UEFA EURO	Saint-Denis (FRA)	France - Italy	3 - 1
09/07/2006	FIFA World Cup	Berlin (GER)	Italy - France	1 - 1 (0-0p)
02/07/2000	UEFA EURO	Rotterdam (NED)	France - Italy	2 - 1
03/07/1998	FIFA World Cup	Saint-Denis (FRA)	Italy - France	0 - 0 (3-4p)
17/06/1986	FIFA World Cup	Mexico (MEX)	Italy - France	0 - 2
02/06/1978	FIFA World Cup	Mar del Plata (ARG)	Italy - France	2 - 1
12/06/1938	FIFA World Cup	Paris (FRA)	Italy - France	3 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	2	1	1	5	4
World Cup	5	1	2	2	5	6
Friendlies	28	6	7	15	40	70

- The two nations contested the 2006 FIFA World Cup final, Italy taking the title for the fourth time after a shoot-out in which they converted all five of their spot kicks. The only player to miss was David Trezeguet, whose golden goal had defeated Italy in extra time of the UEFA EURO 2000 final.
- The World Cup final in Berlin featured an extra-time red card for Zinedine Zidane in his last ever game. He had been in the France team that overcame Italy on penalties in the 1998 World Cup quarter-final at the Stade de France.
- Having qualified for UEFA EURO 2008 from the same section, Italy beat France 2-0 in the group stage at the finals. Andrea Pirlo gave the Azzurri the lead from the spot after Éric Abidal was sent off, with Daniele De Rossi adding a second after the break.
- France edged Italy 2-1 in a Parma friendly in the sides' most recent meeting, in November 2012. Bafétimbi Gomis scored the winner after Mathieu Valbuena had swiftly equalised Stephan El Shaarawy's opener.
- French internationals Patrice Evra and Paul Pogba both belong to Italian champions Juventus, while Italy midfielder Marco Verratti plays for French counterparts Paris Saint-Germain.

**France v Northern Ireland****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
04/07/1982	FIFA World Cup	Madrid (ESP)	France - Northern Ireland	4 - 1
19/06/1958	FIFA World Cup	Norrköping (SWE)	France - Northern Ireland	4 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	2	2	0	0	8	1
Friendlies	6	3	3	0	10	3

- France are unbeaten in eight games against Northern Ireland with five victories to their name.
- Les Bleus put four goals past Northern Ireland in their two meetings at the FIFA World Cup finals. They prevailed 4-0 in 1958 with the help of a double from Just Fontaine, and 4-1 in 1982 thanks to two goals apiece for Alain Giresse and Dominique Rocheteau.
- The three friendlies since that 1982 World Cup have yielded just one goal – scored by France's Lilian Laslandes in an August 1999 contest at Windsor Park.
- Northern Ireland's Paddy McNair is a Manchester United team-mate of France's Morgan Schneiderlin and Anthony Martial.

**France v Poland****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
16/08/1995	UEFA EURO	Paris (FRA)	France - Poland	1 - 1
16/11/1994	UEFA EURO	Zabrze (POL)	Poland - France	0 - 0
10/07/1982	FIFA World Cup	Alicante (ESP)	Poland - France	3 - 2
17/09/1967	UEFA EURO	Warsaw (POL)	Poland - France	1 - 4
22/10/1966	UEFA EURO	Paris (FRA)	France - Poland	2 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	2	2	0	7	3
World Cup	1	0	0	1	2	3
Friendlies	11	6	3	2	18	10

- Poland beat France 3-2 in the 1982 FIFA World Cup third-place play-off in Alicante, Andrzej Szarmach, Stefan Majewski and Janusz Kupcewicz scoring in a seven-minute spell either side of half-time. The following month Poland also thrashed France 4-0 in a friendly at the Parc des Princes.
- France, who have not lost to Poland in seven games since those two 1982 defeats, won 1-0 in the nations' most recent meeting, in June 2011. Tomasz Jodłowiec's own goal consigned the UEFA EURO 2012 co-hosts to a friendly defeat in Warsaw.
- Poland winger Kamil Grosicki plays for French Ligue 1 club Rennes.

**France v Republic of Ireland****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
18/11/2009	FIFA World Cup	Saint-Denis (FRA)	France - Republic of Ireland	1 - 1 (aet, agg: 2-1)
14/11/2009	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - France	0 - 1
07/09/2005	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - France	0 - 1
09/10/2004	FIFA World Cup	Saint-Denis (FRA)	France - Republic of Ireland	0 - 0
14/10/1981	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - France	3 - 2
28/10/1980	FIFA World Cup	Paris (FRA)	France - Republic of Ireland	2 - 0
30/03/1977	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - France	1 - 0
17/11/1976	FIFA World Cup	Paris (FRA)	France - Republic of Ireland	2 - 0
19/05/1973	FIFA World Cup	Paris (FRA)	France - Republic of Ireland	1 - 1
15/11/1972	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - France	2 - 1
25/11/1953	FIFA World Cup	Paris (FRA)	France - Republic of Ireland	1 - 0
04/10/1953	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - France	3 - 5

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	12	6	3	3	17	11
Friendlies	4	0	3	1	1	3

- France and the Republic of Ireland have not met since the play-offs for the 2010 FIFA World Cup, when Les Bleus edged their way to the finals in South Africa 2-1 on aggregate after extra time at the Stade de France. Robbie Keane equalised Nicolas Anelka's first-leg winner in Dublin before an extra-time clincher from William Gallas proved decisive.
- France are unbeaten in their last five games against Ireland, with that Keane goal in Saint-Denis the only one they have conceded during that sequence.

- Although the countries have met 12 times in World Cup qualifying matches – with France winning six of those games and Ireland three – they have yet to cross paths in the UEFA European Championship.

## France v Romania

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
06/09/2011	UEFA EURO	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - France	0 - 0
09/10/2010	UEFA EURO	Saint-Denis (FRA)	France - Romania	2 - 0
05/09/2009	FIFA World Cup	Saint-Denis (FRA)	France - Romania	1 - 1
11/10/2008	FIFA World Cup	Constanta (ROU)	Romania - France	2 - 2
09/06/2008	UEFA EURO	Zurich (SUI)	Romania - France	0 - 0
10/06/1996	UEFA EURO	Newcastle (ENG)	Romania - France	0 - 1
11/10/1995	UEFA EURO	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - France	1 - 3
08/10/1994	UEFA EURO	Saint-Etienne (FRA)	France - Romania	0 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	6	3	3	0	6	1
World Cup	2	0	2	0	3	3
Friendlies	7	4	0	3	10	11

- France and Romania drew 0-0 at UEFA EURO 2008 in Zurich before being paired together in the next two qualifying tournaments, for the 2010 FIFA World Cup and UEFA EURO 2012.
- Three of those four qualifying matches were also drawn, the exception being a 2-0 home win for France in October 2010 in which Loïc Rémy opened the scoring.
- France and Romania met competitively for the first time in EURO '96 fixtures, both in qualifying and at the finals. At the latter, a Christophe Dugarry goal decided the group game in Newcastle and gave Les Bleus a tenth successive victory under coach Aimé Jacquet.

## France v Russia

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
05/06/1999	UEFA EURO	Saint-Denis (FRA)	France - Russia	2 - 3
10/10/1998	UEFA EURO	Moscow (RUS)	Russia - France	2 - 3
09/09/1987	UEFA EURO	Moscow (RUS)	USSR - France	1 - 1
11/10/1986	UEFA EURO	Paris (FRA)	France - USSR	0 - 2
05/06/1986	FIFA World Cup	Leon (MEX)	France - USSR	1 - 1
26/05/1973	FIFA World Cup	Moscow (RUS)	USSR - France	2 - 0
13/10/1972	FIFA World Cup	Paris (FRA)	France - USSR	1 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	1	1	2	6	8
World Cup	3	1	1	1	2	3
Friendlies	10	2	5	3	13	14

- Russia were the first team to defeat France at the Stade de France, their 3-2 win on 5 June 1999 ending the hosts' 27-match unbeaten run at the national stadium.
- A 1-1 draw between Russia and Ukraine, coupled with France's 3-2 victory over Iceland, in the last round of UEFA EURO 2000 qualifiers sealed Les Bleus' place at the finals, where they would go on to claim the trophy; Ukraine would have topped the group had they won.
- The two countries have not met since April 2002, when they drew 0-0 in Saint-Denis – the only time in five encounters there has not been a winner, with each side posting two victories.

**France v Slovakia****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
26/04/1995	UEFA EURO	Nantes (FRA)	France - Slovakia	4 - 0
07/09/1994	UEFA EURO	Bratislava (SVK)	Slovakia - France	0 - 0
04/09/1991	UEFA EURO	Bratislava (SVK)	Czechoslovakia - France	1 - 2
13/10/1990	UEFA EURO	Paris (FRA)	France - Czechoslovakia	2 - 1
24/06/1982	FIFA World Cup	Valladolid (ESP)	France - Czechoslovakia	1 - 1
17/11/1979	UEFA EURO	Paris (FRA)	France - Czechoslovakia	2 - 1
04/04/1979	UEFA EURO	Bratislava (SVK)	Czechoslovakia - France	2 - 0
09/07/1960	UEFA EURO	Marseille (FRA)	Czechoslovakia - France	2 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	7	4	1	2	10	7
World Cup	1	0	1	0	1	1
Friendlies	15	5	3	7	23	24

- France drew 0-0 with Slovakia in Bratislava before defeating them 4-0 in Nantes to qualify for EURO '96. These are the only competitive matches between the two nations.
- Slovakia claimed a surprise 2-1 win in a Stade de France friendly in March 2006, but Les Bleus returned the favour the following year when Thierry Henry scored the lone goal in a 1-0 victory in Trnava – his 40th for France.
- Slovakia's Martin Škrtel and France's Mamadou Sakho are central defensive partners for Liverpool.

**France v Sweden****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
19/06/2012	UEFA EURO	Kyiv (UKR)	Sweden - France	2 - 0
22/08/1993	FIFA World Cup	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - France	1 - 1
28/04/1993	FIFA World Cup	Paris (FRA)	France - Sweden	2 - 1
10/06/1992	UEFA EURO	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - France	1 - 1
05/09/1979	UEFA EURO	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - France	1 - 3
01/09/1978	UEFA EURO	Paris (FRA)	France - Sweden	2 - 2
01/11/1969	FIFA World Cup	Paris (FRA)	France - Sweden	3 - 0
15/10/1969	FIFA World Cup	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - France	2 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	1	2	1	6	6
World Cup	4	2	1	1	6	4
Friendlies	11	6	2	3	14	8

- Sweden ended France's 23-match unbeaten run by defeating them 2-0 in their last group game of UEFA EURO 2012, but it was a hollow victory as Erik Hamrén's side had already been eliminated.
- Prior to that fixture France had been unbeaten in the countries' previous 11 encounters stretching back to 1969, when the teams met competitively for the first time. Les Bleus returned to winning ways when the sides last faced off, in November 2014, defender Raphaël Varane scoring the only goal for Didier Deschamps' men in a Marseille friendly.
- The teams' only other head-to-head at a final tournament came at EURO '92 when hosts Sweden were held 1-1 in Solna in the opening match by France. Jean-Pierre Papin equalised for Les Bleus after Jan Eriksson had made the breakthrough.
- Sweden captain Zlatan Ibrahimović, who netted a spectacular goal against Les Bleus in the UEFA EURO 2012



win, plays for French champions Paris Saint-Germain.

- The two nations will come face to face again in the 2018 FIFA World Cup qualifiers.

## France v Switzerland

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
20/06/2014	FIFA World Cup	Salvador De Bahia (BRA)	Switzerland - France	2 - 5
13/06/2006	FIFA World Cup	Stuttgart (GER)	France - Switzerland	0 - 0
08/10/2005	FIFA World Cup	Berne (SUI)	Switzerland - France	1 - 1
26/03/2005	FIFA World Cup	Saint-Denis (FRA)	France - Switzerland	0 - 0
21/06/2004	UEFA EURO	Coimbra (POR)	Switzerland - France	1 - 3

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	1	1	0	0	3	1
World Cup	4	1	3	0	6	3
Friendlies	32	14	6	12	58	56

- The neighbouring countries had never met in a competitive fixture until the UEFA EURO 2004 finals – this after almost a century of friendly games, with 32 matches between 1905 and 2003.
- France won that encounter in Coimbra 3-1 to qualify for the EURO quarter-finals and eliminate the Swiss. Zinedine Zidane and Thierry Henry (two) scored the French goals, while Switzerland's consolation came from teenager Johan Vonlanthen, who became the UEFA European Championship's youngest ever marksman aged 18 years 141 days.
- The countries shared two draws en route to qualification for the 2006 FIFA World Cup, where they were paired again and played out another stalemate in their opening group encounter in Stuttgart.
- It was a different story when they faced off in the group stage of the 2014 World Cup in Brazil, France running out comprehensive 5-2 victors with five different goalscorers.

### France v Turkey

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	4	4	0	0	12	2

- Just four matches have ever been played between France and Turkey, and all four have been won by Les Bleus.
- The only goals Turkey have scored against France came in the teams' sole competitive meeting, the 2003 FIFA Confederations Cup semi-final, which Jacques Santini's side won 3-2 at the Stade de France en route to lifting the trophy.
- The most recent contest, a friendly at Lyon's Stade Gerland in June 2009, was edged 1-0 by France with a penalty from Karim Benzema.

**France v Ukraine****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
19/11/2013	FIFA World Cup	Saint-Denis (FRA)	France - Ukraine	3 - 0 (agg: 3-2)
15/11/2013	FIFA World Cup	Kyiv (UKR)	Ukraine - France	2 - 0
15/06/2012	UEFA EURO	Donetsk (UKR)	Ukraine - France	0 - 2
21/11/2007	UEFA EURO	Kyiv (UKR)	Ukraine - France	2 - 2
02/06/2007	UEFA EURO	Saint-Denis (FRA)	France - Ukraine	2 - 0
04/09/1999	UEFA EURO	Kyiv (UKR)	Ukraine - France	0 - 0
27/03/1999	UEFA EURO	Saint-Denis (FRA)	France - Ukraine	0 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	5	2	3	0	6	2
World Cup	2	1	0	1	3	2
Friendlies	2	2	0	0	5	1

- France defeated Ukraine 2-0 in Donetsk at UEFA EURO 2012 in a match delayed by thunderstorms, with Jérémy Ménez and Yohan Cabaye scoring the goals.
- The two teams met again in the play-offs for the 2014 FIFA World Cup, France recovering a 2-0 first-leg deficit to win 3-0 at the Stade de France and qualify for Brazil, where they got to the quarter-finals.
- The countries also locked horns in qualifying for UEFA EURO 2000 and UEFA EURO 2008, France successfully reaching both tournaments and Ukraine staying at home.

**France v Wales**

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	4	2	1	1	9	4

- There have been just four matches between France and Wales, all of them on French soil and only one in the past 60 years.
- That fixture, staged in Toulouse as a warm-up game for Les Bleus before the 1982 FIFA World Cup, was won by Wales with a goal from Ian Rush. It was the principality's first victory against France and maintained their record of scoring one goal in every match.
- Wales's Gareth Bale and France's Karim Benzema form two-thirds of the so-called 'BBC' attack (alongside Cristiano Ronaldo) at Real Madrid, where Raphaël Varane also plays.
- There are other team-mate pairings at Tottenham Hotspur (Ben Davies and Hugo Lloris), Crystal Palace (Joe Ledley and Yohan Cabaye) and Arsenal (Aaron Ramsey and Laurent Koscielny, Olivier Giroud and Mathieu Debuchy).

 **Spain****Spain - Team profile**

**Best result:** winners 1964, 2008, 2012

**Coach:** Vicente del Bosque

**Leading scorer:** all-time – David Villa (59); current – David Silva (23)

**Most appearances:** all-time – Iker Casillas (165); current – Iker Casillas (165)

**Association formed:** 1909

**Nickname:** La Roja (the Reds)

**Where they play:** Various

After decades of underachievement following a UEFA European Championship triumph on home soil in 1964, Spain suddenly became world football's dominant force. UEFA EURO 2008, which they won with a 1-0 final victory over Germany, was followed by a first FIFA World Cup win two years later, in South Africa, Vicente del Bosque's side becoming the first European nation to lift the trophy outside their own continent.

Further history was made at UEFA EURO 2012 as Spain became the first team to retain the European title after overwhelming Italy 4-0 in Kyiv, although their World Cup defence ended in the group stage two years later. They are back to defend the Henri Delaunay Cup in France after topping their UEFA EURO 2016 qualifying group with 27 points out of a possible 30.

**EURO pedigree****Matches played**

**Overall:** P151 W98 D27 L26 F333 A118

**Final tournament:** P36 W17 D11 L8 F50 A32

**Qualifying:** P115 W81 D16 L18 F283 A86

Spain's long wait for silverware ended in Vienna in 2008 as Luis Aragonés's side defeated Germany to win a competition they had taken by storm. Fernando Torres provided the decisive blow and four years later became the first player to score in two EURO finals as Spain, now under Del Bosque, successfully defended their title.

They had become only the fifth team to complete a EURO qualifying campaign with a perfect record and crowned another memorable campaign with a record final win against Italy thanks to goals from David Silva, Jordi Alba, Torres and Juan Mata.

Prior to 2008 Spain had only once even reached the semi-finals – finishing runners-up in 1984 – since claiming their first major prize on home soil in Madrid in 1964. They won that year's final 2-1 against the Soviet Union at the Santiago Bernabéu. Marcelino Martínez headed a memorable winner six minutes from time after Galimzian Khusainov had quickly cancelled out Jesús María Pereda's sixth-minute opener.

**Memorable EURO matches****01/07/2012: Spain 4-0 Italy, UEFA EURO 2012 final**

La Roja answered their critics in style, a record final win completing the first successful trophy defence.

**29/06/2008: Spain 1-0 Germany, UEFA EURO 2008 final**

Torres' strike was enough in Vienna as Spain's 44-year wait for silverware came to an end.

**21/06/1964: Spain 2-1 Soviet Union, 1964 UEFA European Championship final**

Luis Suárez inspired a Spain team largely shorn of stars to victory over the holders.

**Did you know?**

Defeat in Slovakia in October 2014 ended Spain's 36-match, eight-year unbeaten run in UEFA EURO and World Cup qualifying fixtures stretching back to a 2-0 loss in Sweden on 7 October 2006.

\*Last updated on 18/11/15

## Spain - Coach profile

### Vicente del Bosque

**Date of birth:** 23 December 1950

**Nationality:** Spanish

**Playing career:** Real Madrid Castilla, Córdoba CF, CD Castellón, Real Madrid CF

**Coaching career:** Real Madrid Castilla, Real Madrid CF, Beşiktaş JK, Spain

- Came up through the ranks at Real Madrid and became an important member of the team as a defensive midfielder during the 1970s, winning five league titles in six seasons and four Spanish Cups.
- Capped 18 times, Del Bosque ended his Spain career at the 1980 UEFA European Championship in Italy – his only major tournament as a player. Also appeared for Madrid in the 1981 European Champion Clubs' Cup final against Liverpool FC.
- Joined Madrid's coaching staff shortly after hanging up his boots in 1984 and spent many years in youth development, stepping up in 1994 and 1996 as the first team's interim coach.
- Given the job full time in November 1999, he landed seven trophies including two UEFA Champions League triumphs and two Spanish titles. Left in 2003 and resurfaced briefly in Turkey with Beşiktaş.
- Succeeded Luis Aragonés as Spain coach in July 2008. Set a global record by winning his opening 13 matches and steered the European champions to the 2010 FIFA World Cup with a perfect qualifying record. Went on to guide Spain to a first world title in South Africa with a final victory against the Netherlands and then successfully defended their continental crown at UEFA EURO 2012, although their reign as world champions was ended in the group stage at Brazil 2014, but overcame some early qualifying worries to guide them to UEFA EURO 2016.

## Spain - Team facts

### EURO record

	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
Overall	151	98	27	26	333	118
Final tournament	36	17	11	8	50	32
Qualifying	115	81	16	18	283	86

### UEFA European Championship records: Spain

#### History

2012 – winners

2008 – winners

2004 – group stage

2000 – quarter-finals

1996 – quarter-finals

1992 – did not qualify

1988 – group stage

1984 – runners-up

1980 – group stage

1976 – quarter-finals

1972 – did not qualify

1968 – quarter-finals

1964 – winners

1960 – quarter-finals

#### Final tournament win

**4-0:** Spain v Italy, 01/07/12

**4-0:** Spain v Republic of Ireland, 14/06/12

#### Final tournament defeat

**2-0:** West Germany v Spain, 17/06/88

**2-0:** France v Spain, 27/06/84

#### Qualifying win

**12-1:** Spain v Malta, 21/12/83

#### Qualifying defeat

**1-3:** three times, most recently France v Spain, 20/02/91

**0-2:** three times, most recently Sweden v Spain, 07/10/06

Note: Spain's quarter-final against the Soviet Union on 22/05/60 was awarded **3-0** to the Soviet Union after Spain withdrew

#### Final tournament appearances

**14:** Iker Casillas

**13:** Fernando Torres

**12:** Cesc Fàbregas

**12:** Andrés Iniesta

**12:** Xabi Alonso

#### Final tournament goals

**5:** Fernando Torres

**4:** David Villa

**3:** Alfonso Pérez

**3:** Cesc Fàbregas

**3:** David Silva

#### Overall appearances

**48:** Iker Casillas

**36:** Sergio Ramos

**33:** Andrés Iniesta

**32:** Xavi Hernández

**32:** David Silva

**31:** Andoni Zubizarreta

**28:** Cesc Fàbregas**27:** Raúl González**27:** Xabi Alonso**Overall goals****19:** Raúl González**18:** David Villa**14:** Carlos Santillana**10:** Fernando Hierro**10:** David Silva**9:** Fernando Torres**UEFA EURO and FIFA World Cup campaigns**

Season	Competition	Result	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
2016	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group	10	9	0	1	23	3
2014	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	8	6	2	0	14	3
2012	EURO finals	Winner	6	4	2	0	12	1
2012	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	8	8	0	0	26	6
2010	World Cup finals	Winner	7	6	0	1	8	2
2010	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	10	10	0	0	28	5
2008	EURO finals	Winner	6	5	1	0	12	3
2008	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	12	9	1	2	23	8
2006	World Cup finals	Round of 16	4	3	0	1	9	4
2006	World Cup qualifying	Play-off for Final Tournament (qualified)	12	6	6	0	25	5
2004	EURO finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 1st in group	3	1	1	1	2	2
2004	EURO qualifying	Play-off for Final Tournament (qualified)	10	7	2	1	21	5
2002	World Cup finals	Quarter-finals	5	3	2	0	10	5
2002	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	8	6	2	0	21	4
2000	EURO finals	Quarter-finals	4	2	0	2	7	7
2000	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 1st in group (qualified)	8	7	0	1	42	5
1998	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	3	1	1	1	8	4
1998	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	10	8	2	0	26	6
1996	EURO finals	Quarter-finals	4	1	3	0	4	3
1996	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 1st in group (qualified)	10	8	2	0	25	4
1994	World Cup finals	Quarter-finals	5	2	2	1	10	6
1994	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	12	8	3	1	27	4
1992	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 3rd in group	7	3	0	4	17	12
1990	World Cup finals	Round of 16	4	2	1	1	6	4
1990	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	8	6	1	1	20	3
1988	EURO finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	3	1	0	2	3	5
1988	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 1st in group (qualified)	6	5	0	1	14	6
1986	World Cup finals	Quarter-finals	5	3	1	1	11	4
1986	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	6	4	0	2	9	8
1984	EURO finals	Final	5	1	3	1	4	5
1984	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 1st in group (qualified)	8	6	1	1	24	8
1982	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	5	1	2	2	4	5
1980	EURO finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 4th in group	3	0	1	2	2	4
1980	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 1st in group (qualified)	6	4	1	1	13	5
1978	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	3	1	1	1	2	2
1978	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	4	3	0	1	4	1

**UEFA EURO and FIFA World Cup campaigns**

1976	EURO qualifying	Quarter-finals	8	3	4	1	11	9
1974	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	5	2	2	1	8	6
1972	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 2nd in group	6	3	2	1	14	3
1970	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	6	2	2	2	10	6
1968	EURO qualifying	Quarter-finals	8	3	2	3	7	5
1966	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	3	1	0	2	4	5
1966	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	3	2	0	1	5	2
1964	EURO finals	Winner	2	2	0	0	4	2
1964	EURO qualifying	Quarter-finals (qualified)	6	4	1	1	16	5
1962	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	3	1	0	2	2	3
1962	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round (qualified)	4	3	1	0	7	4
1960	EURO qualifying	Round of 16	2	2	0	0	7	2
1958	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	4	2	1	1	12	8
1954	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group	3	1	1	1	6	4
1950	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage	6	3	1	2	10	12
1950	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	2	1	1	0	7	3
1934	World Cup finals	Quarter-finals	3	1	1	1	4	3
1934	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	2	2	0	0	11	1

## Spain - Head to head against teams in other pots

### Spain v Albania

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
22/09/1993	FIFA World Cup	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Spain	1 - 5
22/04/1992	FIFA World Cup	Seville (ESP)	Spain - Albania	3 - 0
19/12/1990	UEFA EURO	Seville (ESP)	Spain - Albania	9 - 0
18/11/1987	UEFA EURO	Seville (ESP)	Spain - Albania	5 - 0
03/12/1986	UEFA EURO	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Spain	1 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	3	3	0	0	16	1
World Cup	2	2	0	0	8	1
Friendlies	-	-	-	-	-	-

- Spain have won all five matches against Albania, scoring 24 goals and conceding just two.
- Captain Emilio Buragueño struck four goals as Spain overran Albania 9-0 in Seville in a EURO '92 qualifier. Spain failed to qualify for the finals and the return fixture in Tirana was cancelled because of civil unrest in Albania.
- Two years later, in September 1993, the teams did meet in the Albanian capital, Julio Salinas scoring a hat-trick in a 5-1 win. They have not faced each other since.
- Albania and Spain have been drawn in the same group for 2018 FIFA World Cup qualifying.

### Spain v Austria

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
01/09/2001	FIFA World Cup	Valencia (ESP)	Spain - Austria	4 - 0
11/10/2000	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Spain	1 - 1
04/09/1999	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Spain	1 - 3
27/03/1999	UEFA EURO	Valencia (ESP)	Spain - Austria	9 - 0
14/10/1987	UEFA EURO	Seville (ESP)	Spain - Austria	2 - 0
01/04/1987	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Spain	2 - 3
03/06/1978	FIFA World Cup	Buenos Aires (ARG)	Austria - Spain	2 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	4	0	0	17	3
World Cup	3	1	1	1	6	3
Friendlies	9	4	2	3	20	16

- Spain were 5-1 winners in the teams' most recent encounter, a November 2009 friendly in Vienna. They overwhelmed Austria in UEFA EURO 2000 qualifying, beating them 9-0 in Valencia to end the reign of long-serving Austria coach Herbert Prohaska.
- Spain qualified at Austria's expense for the 2002 FIFA World Cup, winning 4-0 in Valencia after a 1-1 draw in Vienna.
- The only previous meeting at a major tournament was won by Austria, 2-1 at the 1978 World Cup in Argentina, with goals from Walter Schachner and Hans Krankl.



**Spain v Croatia****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
18/06/2012	UEFA EURO	Gdansk (POL)	Croatia - Spain	0 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	1	1	0	0	1	0
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	4	2	1	1	5	4

- Spain defeated Croatia 1-0 in their final group game at UEFA EURO 2012 thanks to Jesús Navas's 88th-minute strike to advance at their opponents' expense. All four of the teams' previous meetings had been friendly matches.
- Croatia's first victory away from home after regaining independence came against Spain in Valencia in March 1994. They won 2-0 with goals from Robert Prosinečki and Davor Šuker.
- Croatia midfielders Luka Modrić and Mateo Kovačić play in Spain for Real Madrid while their international teammate Ivan Rakitić is with Liga arch-rivals Barcelona.

**Spain v Czech Republic****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
07/10/2011	UEFA EURO	Prague (CZE)	Czech Republic - Spain	0 - 2
25/03/2011	UEFA EURO	Granada (ESP)	Spain - Czech Republic	2 - 1
08/06/1997	FIFA World Cup	Valladolid (ESP)	Spain - Czech Republic	1 - 0
09/10/1996	FIFA World Cup	Prague (CZE)	Czech Republic - Spain	0 - 0
13/11/1991	UEFA EURO	Seville (ESP)	Spain - Czechoslovakia	2 - 1
14/11/1990	UEFA EURO	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Spain	3 - 2
22/10/1967	UEFA EURO	Madrid (ESP)	Spain - Czechoslovakia	2 - 1
01/10/1967	UEFA EURO	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Spain	1 - 0
31/05/1962	FIFA World Cup	Vina Del Mar (CHI)	Czechoslovakia - Spain	1 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	6	4	0	2	10	7
World Cup	3	1	1	1	1	1
Friendlies	7	2	1	4	5	8

- Spain qualified for the 1998 FIFA World Cup at the Czechs' expense. The only goal in their two qualifying meetings was a penalty converted by Fernando Hierro; Raúl González won the first of his 102 caps in Prague in October 1996.
- The teams also met in UEFA EURO 2012 qualifying. David Villa scored twice for Spain in a 2-1 win in Granada, with Juan Mata and Xabi Alonso on target in Spain's 2-0 away victory.
- Jaroslav Plašil, the Czech midfielder, was at Spanish club CA Osasuna between 2007 and 2009, scoring eight goals in 66 Liga appearances.

## Spain v Hungary

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
15/11/1989	FIFA World Cup	Seville (ESP)	Spain - Hungary	4 - 0
11/10/1989	FIFA World Cup	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - Spain	2 - 2
17/06/1964	UEFA EURO	Madrid (ESP)	Spain - Hungary	2 - 1 (aet)

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	1	1	0	0	2	1
World Cup	2	1	1	0	6	2
Friendlies	10	3	4	3	13	15

- The only previous UEFA European Championship match between Hungary and Spain was the 1964 semi-final in Madrid, which the host nation won 2-1 after extra time thanks to Amancio Amaro's 112th-minute strike.
- Hungary missed out on the 1990 FIFA World Cup – having been present at the previous three final tournaments – after drawing 2-2 at home with Spain then losing 4-0 in Seville in their final two qualifying fixtures.
- Hungary's three wins against Spain have all come on Spanish soil – in Valencia, Cadiz and Santander. They have drawn four and lost one of the five games staged in Budapest.

## Spain v Iceland

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
08/09/2007	UEFA EURO	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Spain	1 - 1
28/03/2007	UEFA EURO	Palma de Mallorca (ESP)	Spain - Iceland	1 - 0
25/09/1991	UEFA EURO	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Spain	2 - 0
10/10/1990	UEFA EURO	Seville (ESP)	Spain - Iceland	2 - 1
25/09/1985	FIFA World Cup	Seville (ESP)	Spain - Iceland	2 - 1
12/06/1985	FIFA World Cup	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Spain	1 - 2
29/05/1983	UEFA EURO	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Spain	0 - 1
27/10/1982	UEFA EURO	Malaga (ESP)	Spain - Iceland	1 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	6	4	1	1	6	4
World Cup	2	2	0	0	4	2
Friendlies	1	0	1	0	0	0

- Iceland have won only one of their nine fixtures against Spain but have never conceded more than two goals in any of those games. Furthermore, all six of their defeats have been by a one-goal margin.
- The teams last met in qualification for UEFA EURO 2008, Andrés Iniesta scoring Spain's goal in both fixtures as they won 1-0 in Palma de Mallorca and drew 1-1 in Reykjavik.
- Iceland's solitary success, a 2-0 home win in qualifying for EURO '92, condemned Spain to elimination. That is the only major tournament for which Spain have failed to qualify in the past 40 years.

**Spain v Italy****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
01/07/2012	UEFA EURO	Kyiv (UKR)	Spain - Italy	4 - 0
10/06/2012	UEFA EURO	Gdansk (POL)	Spain - Italy	1 - 1
22/06/2008	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Spain - Italy	0 - 0 (4-2p)
09/07/1994	FIFA World Cup	Boston (USA)	Italy - Spain	2 - 1
14/06/1988	UEFA EURO	Frankfurt am Main (GER)	Italy - Spain	1 - 0
12/06/1980	UEFA EURO	Milan (ITA)	Spain - Italy	0 - 0
01/06/1934	FIFA World Cup	Florence (ITA)	Italy - Spain	1 - 0
31/05/1934	FIFA World Cup	Florence (ITA)	Italy - Spain	1 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	5	1	3	1	5	2
World Cup	3	0	1	2	2	4
Friendlies	24	9	8	7	28	33

◆◆◆ Spain beat Italy 4-0 in the final of UEFA EURO 2012 in Kyiv to become the first team to retain the trophy. The nations had also met in the group stage, drawing 1-1 in Gdansk. There was another draw, 0-0, in the 2013 FIFA Confederations Cup semi-finals in Brazil; Spain won 7-6 on penalties.

- Cesc Fàbregas converted the winning kick as Spain beat Italy 4-2 on penalties in the UEFA EURO 2008 quarter-finals after a 0-0 draw. That was their first competitive win against the Azzurri since the final of the 1920 Olympic Games football tournament.
- Italy have twice beaten Spain in FIFA World Cup quarter-finals, Giuseppe Meazza sealing a replay triumph in 1934. Sixty years later, Roberto Baggio's 88th-minute goal earned a 2-1 win in Boston.
- The most recent meeting, a Madrid friendly in March 2014, was won 1-0 by Spain with a 63rd-minute strike from Pedro Rodríguez. The nations are set to meet again in qualifying for the 2018 World Cup.
- Spain striker Álvaro Morata plays for reigning Italian champions Juventus.

**Spain v Northern Ireland****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
21/11/2007	UEFA EURO	Las Palmas de Gran Canaria (ESP)	Spain - Northern Ireland	1 - 0
06/09/2006	UEFA EURO	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Spain	3 - 2
11/06/2003	UEFA EURO	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Spain	0 - 0
12/10/2002	UEFA EURO	Albacete (ESP)	Spain - Northern Ireland	3 - 0
28/04/1993	FIFA World Cup	Seville (ESP)	Spain - Northern Ireland	3 - 1
14/10/1992	FIFA World Cup	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Spain	0 - 0
08/02/1989	FIFA World Cup	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Spain	0 - 2
21/12/1988	FIFA World Cup	Seville (ESP)	Spain - Northern Ireland	4 - 0
07/06/1986	FIFA World Cup	Guadalajara (MEX)	Northern Ireland - Spain	1 - 2
25/06/1982	FIFA World Cup	Valencia (ESP)	Northern Ireland - Spain	1 - 0
16/02/1972	UEFA EURO	Hull (ENG)	Northern Ireland - Spain	1 - 1
11/11/1970	UEFA EURO	Seville (ESP)	Spain - Northern Ireland	3 - 0
30/10/1963	UEFA EURO	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Spain	0 - 1 (agg: 1-2)
30/05/1963	UEFA EURO	Bilbao (ESP)	Spain - Northern Ireland	1 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	8	4	3	1	12	5
World Cup	6	4	1	1	11	3
Friendlies	4	3	1	0	15	3

- Northern Ireland famously beat hosts Spain 1-0 at the 1982 FIFA World Cup, Gerry Armstrong's 47th-minute strike in Valencia taking Billy Bingham's side through to the second phase.
- Four years later in Mexico, Spain got their revenge with a 2-1 win. Emilio Butragueño and Julio Salinas scored for the Roja in Guadalajara as Northern Ireland exited at the group stage.
- The teams last met in qualifying for UEFA EURO 2008 when Northern Ireland pulled off another shock, defeating Luis Aragonés's eventual winners 3-2 at Windsor Park thanks to a David Healy hat-trick. Spain won the return match 1-0 in Las Palmas with a goal from Xavi Hernández – the nations' last meeting.

**Spain v Poland****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
14/10/1959	UEFA EURO	Madrid (ESP)	Spain - Poland	3 - 0 (agg: 7-2)
28/06/1959	UEFA EURO	Chorzow (POL)	Poland - Spain	2 - 4

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	2	0	0	7	2
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	8	6	1	1	20	6

- Poland's only victory against Spain came in a Barcelona friendly in April 1980, two goals from Andrzej Iwan bringing a 2-1 win. They also performed well on Spanish soil two years later in the FIFA World Cup where, inspired by Zbigniew Boniek, they finished third.
- Spain have triumphed in six of the last seven encounters, registering their largest win the last time the teams met, 6-0 in a 2010 World Cup warm-up fixture in Murcia.
- Poland midfielder Grzegorz Krychowiak plays in Spain for Sevilla and won the UEFA Europa League with the club in 2015, scoring in the Warsaw final.

**Spain v Republic of Ireland****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
14/06/2012	UEFA EURO	Gdansk (POL)	Spain - Republic of Ireland	4 - 0
16/06/2002	FIFA World Cup	Suwon (KOR)	Spain - Republic of Ireland	1 - 1 (3-2p)
13/10/1993	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Spain	1 - 3
18/11/1992	FIFA World Cup	Seville (ESP)	Spain - Republic of Ireland	0 - 0
26/04/1989	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Spain	1 - 0
16/11/1988	FIFA World Cup	Seville (ESP)	Spain - Republic of Ireland	2 - 0
27/04/1983	UEFA EURO	Zaragoza (ESP)	Spain - Republic of Ireland	2 - 0
17/11/1982	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Spain	3 - 3
07/12/1966	UEFA EURO	Valencia (ESP)	Spain - Republic of Ireland	2 - 0
23/10/1966	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Spain	0 - 0
10/11/1965	FIFA World Cup	Paris (FRA)	Spain - Republic of Ireland	1 - 0
27/10/1965	FIFA World Cup	Seville (ESP)	Spain - Republic of Ireland	4 - 1
05/05/1965	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Spain	1 - 0
08/04/1964	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Spain	0 - 2 (agg: 1-7)
11/03/1964	UEFA EURO	Seville (ESP)	Spain - Republic of Ireland	5 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	7	5	2	0	18	4
World Cup	8	4	2	2	11	5
Friendlies	11	6	3	2	25	9

- Spain beat the Republic of Ireland 4-0 in the group stage of UEFA EURO 2012 during their successful defence of the trophy. Fernando Torres scored twice in Gdansk, David Silva and Cesc Fàbregas getting the other goals.
- The nations' only previous major tournament contest came in the 2002 FIFA World Cup last 16, Spain going through on penalties after a 1-1 draw in which Robbie Keane scored a 90th-minute equaliser.
- Spain and Ireland qualified together for successive World Cups, in 1990 and 1994, from the same group.

**Spain v Romania****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
18/06/1996	UEFA EURO	Leeds (ENG)	Romania - Spain	1 - 2
29/04/1987	UEFA EURO	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Spain	3 - 1
12/11/1986	UEFA EURO	Seville (ESP)	Spain - Romania	1 - 0
14/06/1984	UEFA EURO	Saint-Etienne (FRA)	Romania - Spain	1 - 1
04/04/1979	UEFA EURO	Craiova (ROU)	Romania - Spain	2 - 2
15/11/1978	UEFA EURO	Valencia (ESP)	Spain - Romania	1 - 0
26/10/1977	FIFA World Cup	Madrid (ESP)	Spain - Romania	2 - 0
16/04/1977	FIFA World Cup	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Spain	1 - 0
16/11/1975	UEFA EURO	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Spain	2 - 2
17/04/1975	UEFA EURO	Madrid (ESP)	Spain - Romania	1 - 1
25/11/1962	UEFA EURO	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Spain	3 - 1 (agg: 3-7)
01/11/1962	UEFA EURO	Madrid (ESP)	Spain - Romania	6 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	10	4	4	2	18	13
World Cup	2	1	0	1	2	1
Friendlies	3	0	1	2	1	4

- Romania and Spain have contested ten UEFA European Championship fixtures, including two in final tournaments. The first of those, at EURO '84 in Saint-Etienne, ended 1-1; Spain prevailed 2-1 in Leeds 12 years later thanks to a late winner from Guillermo Amor.
- Following Romania's 1-0 2006 friendly win in Cadiz, the nations are level after 15 matches with five wins apiece and five draws.
- Romania skipper Răzvan Raț currently plays in Madrid, having joined Rayo Vallecano last summer.

**Spain v Russia****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
26/06/2008	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Russia - Spain	0 - 3
10/06/2008	UEFA EURO	Innsbruck (AUT)	Spain - Russia	4 - 1
12/06/2004	UEFA EURO	Faro-Loule (POR)	Spain - Russia	1 - 0
27/10/1971	UEFA EURO	Seville (ESP)	Spain - USSR	0 - 0
30/05/1971	UEFA EURO	Moscow (RUS)	USSR - Spain	2 - 1
21/06/1964	UEFA EURO	Madrid (ESP)	Spain - USSR	2 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	6	4	1	1	11	4
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	4	2	2	0	4	1

- The nations met twice at UEFA EURO 2008, Luis Aragonés's Spain starting their march to the title with a 4-1 group victory over Guus Hiddink's Russia before beating them again, 3-0 in the semi-finals.
- Spain also overcame Russia 1-0 in their opening game of UEFA EURO 2004, substitute Juan Carlos Valerón scoring less than a minute after coming on. Neither team made it through to the quarter-finals.
- Marcelino scored the 84th-minute winner as Spain beat holders the USSR 2-1 in the 1964 final in Madrid. The countries had been drawn to meet in the quarter-finals in 1960, but Spain refused to travel to the Soviet Union on political grounds and withdrew.

## Spain v Slovakia

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
05/09/2015	UEFA EURO	Oviedo (ESP)	Spain - Slovakia	2 - 0
09/10/2014	UEFA EURO	Zilina (SVK)	Slovakia - Spain	2 - 1
16/11/2005	FIFA World Cup	Bratislava (SVK)	Slovakia - Spain	1 - 1 (agg: 2-6)
12/11/2005	FIFA World Cup	Madrid (ESP)	Spain - Slovakia	5 - 1
24/09/1997	FIFA World Cup	Bratislava (SVK)	Slovakia - Spain	1 - 2
13/11/1996	FIFA World Cup	Santa Cruz de Tenerife (ESP)	Spain - Slovakia	4 - 1
13/11/1991	UEFA EURO	Seville (ESP)	Spain - Czechoslovakia	2 - 1
14/11/1990	UEFA EURO	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Spain	3 - 2
22/10/1967	UEFA EURO	Madrid (ESP)	Spain - Czechoslovakia	2 - 1
01/10/1967	UEFA EURO	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Spain	1 - 0
31/05/1962	FIFA World Cup	Vina Del Mar (CHI)	Czechoslovakia - Spain	1 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	6	3	0	3	9	8
World Cup	5	3	1	1	12	5
Friendlies	7	2	1	4	5	8

- Slovakia caused one of the shocks of UEFA EURO 2016 qualifying by defeating Spain 2-1 in Zilina thanks to Miroslav Stoch's late winner, ending the holders' 35-match, nine-year unbeaten run in qualifiers. Spain won all of their other nine fixtures, including the return in Oviedo 2-0 after goals from Jordi Alba and Andrés Iniesta, to top the group.
- The teams had previously played four FIFA World Cup qualifiers, Spain winning three of them but failing to keep a clean sheet.
- Luis García scored a hat-trick – his first international goals – in Spain's 5-1 victory over Slovakia in November 2005. He scored just once more in his 18 internationals.

## Spain v Sweden

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
14/06/2008	UEFA EURO	Innsbruck (AUT)	Sweden - Spain	1 - 2
17/11/2007	UEFA EURO	Madrid (ESP)	Spain - Sweden	3 - 0
07/10/2006	UEFA EURO	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Spain	2 - 0
11/06/1978	FIFA World Cup	Buenos Aires (ARG)	Spain - Sweden	1 - 0
16/07/1950	FIFA World Cup	Sao Paulo (BRA)	Sweden - Spain	3 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	3	2	0	1	5	3
World Cup	2	1	0	1	2	3
Friendlies	8	3	4	1	14	9

- David Villa's added-time goal in Innsbruck gave Spain a 2-1 group stage win against Sweden at UEFA EURO 2008, sealing a quarter-final place with a game to spare.
- Spain had booked their 2008 finals berth with a 3-0 home win against Sweden – Joan Capdevila, Andrés Iniesta and Sergio Ramos scoring – although Sweden qualified as group runners-up, having earlier defeated Spain 2-0 in Solna.
- Spain's record cap holder Iker Casillas made his international debut against Sweden in June 2000, 14 days after

his 19th birthday, as a substitute in a 1-1 friendly draw in Gothenburg.

## Spain v Switzerland

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
16/06/2010	FIFA World Cup	Durban (RSA)	Spain - Switzerland	0 - 1
02/07/1994	FIFA World Cup	Washington (USA)	Spain - Switzerland	3 - 0
15/07/1966	FIFA World Cup	Sheffield (ENG)	Spain - Switzerland	2 - 1
24/11/1957	FIFA World Cup	Lausanne (SUI)	Switzerland - Spain	1 - 4
10/03/1957	FIFA World Cup	Madrid (ESP)	Spain - Switzerland	2 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	5	3	1	1	11	5
Friendlies	14	12	2	0	34	11

- Switzerland ended an 18-match winless run against Spain when they defeated them 1-0 in their opening game of the 2010 FIFA World Cup with a goal from midfielder Gelson Fernandes. Vicente del Bosque's side would recover, however, and went on to win the title.
- That was the countries' first meeting since Spain knocked Switzerland out of the 1994 World Cup with a 3-0 win in Washington DC.
- There have been no UEFA European Championship fixtures between the nations.

## Spain v Turkey

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
01/04/2009	FIFA World Cup	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Spain	1 - 2
28/03/2009	FIFA World Cup	Madrid (ESP)	Spain - Turkey	1 - 0
31/05/1967	UEFA EURO	Bilbao (ESP)	Spain - Turkey	2 - 0
01/02/1967	UEFA EURO	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Spain	0 - 0
17/03/1954	FIFA World Cup	Rome (ITA)	Turkey - Spain	2 - 2
14/03/1954	FIFA World Cup	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Spain	1 - 0
06/01/1954	FIFA World Cup	Madrid (ESP)	Spain - Turkey	4 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	1	1	0	2	0
World Cup	5	3	1	1	9	5
Friendlies	3	1	2	0	3	0

- The countries had not met for 35 years when they were paired together in 2010 FIFA World Cup qualifying. Spain won both games, Gerard Piqué's first international goal giving his team a 1-0 win in Madrid and Albert Riera's added-time strike bringing a 2-1 victory in Istanbul.
- Turkey qualified for the 1954 World Cup in Switzerland by the drawing of lots after their play-off tie against Spain in Rome ended 2-2.
- Turkey captain Arda Turan is registered with Barcelona having spent the past four seasons at Liga rivals Atlético Madrid.



**Spain v Ukraine****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
12/10/2015	UEFA EURO	Kyiv (UKR)	Ukraine - Spain	0 - 1
27/03/2015	UEFA EURO	Seville (ESP)	Spain - Ukraine	1 - 0
14/06/2006	FIFA World Cup	Leipzig (GER)	Spain - Ukraine	4 - 0
10/09/2003	UEFA EURO	Elche (ESP)	Spain - Ukraine	2 - 1
29/03/2003	UEFA EURO	Kyiv (UKR)	Ukraine - Spain	2 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	3	1	0	6	3
World Cup	1	1	0	0	4	0
Friendlies	-	-	-	-	-	-

- Vicente del Bosque's side recorded two 1-0 victories over Mykhailo Fomenko's Ukraine in UEFA EURO 2016 qualifying as Spain claimed top spot in Group C and Ukraine finished third. Álvaro Morata scored the winner in Seville, Mario Gaspar doing likewise in Kyiv.
- Spain beat Ukraine 4-0 in Leipzig on the latter's FIFA World Cup finals debut in 2006, David Villa scoring twice and Xabi Alonso and Fernando Torres once apiece.
- Ukraine winger Yevhen Konoplyanka moved to Sevilla after facing the Spanish club in the 2015 UEFA Europa League final while at Dnipro Dnipropetrovsk.

**Spain v Wales****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
30/04/1985	FIFA World Cup	Wrexham (WAL)	Wales - Spain	3 - 0
17/10/1984	FIFA World Cup	Seville (ESP)	Spain - Wales	3 - 0
18/05/1961	FIFA World Cup	Madrid (ESP)	Spain - Wales	1 - 1
19/04/1961	FIFA World Cup	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Spain	1 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	4	2	1	1	6	5
Friendlies	1	0	1	0	1	1

- The nations last met in a 1986 FIFA World Cup qualifier in Wrexham, Wales winning 3-0 with a double from Ian Rush and a spectacular scissor kick from Mark Hughes, who joined Barcelona the following year.
- That was Wales' first victory in five attempts against Spain. The Roja had won the earlier fixture in that qualifying group by the same 3-0 scoreline at Seville's Estadio Benito Villamarín, Emilio Butragueño among the marksmen.
- Wales' UEFA EURO 2016 qualifying talisman Gareth Bale plays alongside several Spanish internationals at Real Madrid.

## Germany

### Germany - Team profile

**Best result:** winners 1972, 1980 (as West Germany), 1996

**Coach:** Joachim Löw

**Leading scorers:** all-time – Miroslav Klose (71); current – Lukas Podolski (48)

**Most appearances:** all-time – Lothar Matthäus (150); current – Lukas Podolski (126)

**Association formed:** 1900

**Nickname:** DFB-Elf (DFB eleven)

**Where they play:** Various, including Olympiastadion, Berlin; Fußball Arena München, Munich

A powerhouse of European football, Germany (West Germany from 1945 to 1990) have only once (1968) failed to qualify for the finals of either the UEFA European Championship or a FIFA World Cup that they have entered. They have won the World Cup four times, claiming the global prize in 1954, 1974 and 1990 and 2014, and became champions of Europe in 1972, 1980 and 1996. They have also been runners-up in three European Championships and four World Cups. Although it is almost two decades since their last EURO triumph, they have reached at least the semi-finals of the last two tournaments.

#### EURO pedigree

##### Matches played

**Overall:** P141 W92 D30 L19 F302 A106

**Final tournament:** P43 W23 D10 L10 F65 A45

**Qualifying:** P98 W69 D20 L9 F237 A61

Three-time winners and runners-up in 1976, 1992 and 2008, Germany have won 23 of their 43 finals matches – all are records, though Spain also have three European titles to their name. UEFA EURO 2012 was Germany's 11th successive final tournament – also a UEFA European Championship record. Though in ominously good form in Poland and Ukraine – having won all ten of their qualifiers, scoring an average of 3.4 goals per game – they lost 2-1 to Italy in the semi-finals.

Germany have advanced to the knockout stages in every one of their World Cup appearances but in the UEFA European Championship they have suffered group stage exits three times, finishing third in their section in 1984 and 2004, and bottom in 2000.

#### Memorable EURO matches

**26/06/1996: England 1-1 Germany (5-6 pens), EURO '96 semi-finals**

Andreas Möller converted the decisive spot kick as Berti Vogts' team eliminated the hosts.

**22/06/1980: West Germany 2-1 Belgium, 1980 UEFA European Championship final**

Horst Hrubesch's second goal, two minutes from time, earned West Germany a second title.

**29/04/1972: England 1-3 West Germany, 1972 UEFA European Championship quarter-finals**

This first leg is considered the birth of Germany's strongest side, the so called Wembley XI.

#### Did you know?

Despite their excellent UEFA European Championship record, Germany failed to win a finals match between the Wembley triumph in 1996 and their victory over Poland in Klagenfurt in 2008. Between those years, they recorded three draws and three defeats, scoring three goals and conceding eight.

\*Last updated on 18/11/15

## Germany - Coach profile

### Joachim Löw

**Date of birth:** 3 February 1960

**Nationality:** German

**Playing career:** SC Freiburg (three times), VfB Stuttgart, Eintracht Frankfurt, Karlsruher SC, FC Schaffhausen, FC Winterthur, FC Frauenfeld

**Coaching career:** FC Winterthur (youth), FC Frauenfeld, VfB Stuttgart, Fenerbahçe SK, Karlsruher SC, Adanaspor AŞ, FC Tirol Innsbruck, FK Austria Wien, Germany (assistant), Germany

- A native of the Black Forest in south-west Germany, Löw spent most of his playing days with local club Freiburg, where he had three spells, before winding down his career in Switzerland.
- Operated as a player-coach in Switzerland before becoming an assistant, and later head coach, back in Germany with Stuttgart. Succeeded Rolf Fringer in 1996 and led the Swabian side to a German Cup win in his first season and the UEFA Cup Winners' Cup final against Chelsea FC in his second.
- Left Stuttgart for Fenerbahçe but struggled to match his early success until he joined Tirol Innsbruck, guiding the team to the 2001/02 Austrian Bundesliga title.
- After nine months with Austria Wien he was summoned by old friend Jürgen Klinsmann to become his assistant with Germany. The pair steered the Nationalmannschaft to a third-place finish on home soil at the 2006 FIFA World Cup.
- Replaced Klinsmann as head coach, taking the side to a runners-up spot at UEFA EURO 2008 and third place at the 2010 World Cup. They also reached the last four of UEFA EURO 2012, before qualifying unbeaten for the 2014 global finals.
- The real glory was to follow in Brazil, Löw leading the team to their fourth world title with a final defeat of Argentina. In 2015 he signed a new contract running until 2018.

## Germany - Team facts

### EURO record

	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
Overall	141	92	30	19	302	106
Final tournament	43	23	10	10	65	45
Qualifying	98	69	20	9	237	61

### UEFA European Championship records: Germany

#### History

2012 – semi-finals  
 2008 – runners-up  
 2004 – group stage  
 2000 – group stage  
 1996 – winners  
 1992 – runners-up  
 1988 – semi-finals (as West Germany)  
 1984 – group stage (as West Germany)  
 1980 – winners (as West Germany)  
 1976 – runners-up (as West Germany)  
 1972 – winners (as West Germany)  
 1968 – did not qualify (as West Germany)  
 1964 – did not enter  
 1960 – did not enter

#### Final tournament win

**3-0:** West Germany v Soviet Union, 18/06/72

**0-3:** Russia v Germany, 16/06/96

#### Final tournament loss

**3-0:** Portugal v Germany, 20/06/00

#### Qualifying win

**0-13:** San Marino v Germany, 06/09/06

#### Qualifying loss

**0-3:** Germany v Czech Republic, 17/10/07

#### Final tournament appearances

**14:** Philipp Lahm  
**13:** Jürgen Klinsmann  
**13:** Thomas Hässler  
**13:** Bastian Schweinsteiger  
**13:** Miroslav Klose  
**12:** Andreas Brehme

#### Final tournament goals

**5:** Jürgen Klinsmann  
**4:** Gerd Müller  
**4:** Lukas Podolski  
**4:** Rudi Völler  
**4:** Dieter Müller

#### Overall appearances

**36:** Miroslav Klose  
**36:** Lukas Podolski  
**33:** Philipp Lahm  
**31:** Lothar Matthäus  
**30:** Bastian Schweinsteiger  
**26:** Jürgen Klinsmann

#### Overall goals

**19:** Miroslav Klose  
**16:** Gerd Müller

**15:** Jürgen Klinsmann**15:** Lukas Podolski**12:** Rudi Völler**12:** Thomas Müller**UEFA EURO and FIFA World Cup campaigns**

Season	Competition	Result	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
2016	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group	10	7	1	2	24	9
2014	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	10	9	1	0	36	10
2012	EURO finals	Semi-finals	5	4	0	1	10	6
2012	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	10	10	0	0	34	7
2010	World Cup finals	3rd place	7	5	0	2	16	5
2010	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	10	8	2	0	26	5
2008	EURO finals	Final	6	4	0	2	10	7
2008	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group (qualified)	12	8	3	1	35	7
2006	World Cup finals	3rd place	7	5	1	1	14	6
2004	EURO finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	3	0	2	1	2	3
2004	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	8	5	3	0	13	4
2002	World Cup finals	Final	7	5	1	1	14	3
2002	World Cup qualifying	Play-off for Final Tournament (qualified)	10	6	3	1	19	12
2000	EURO finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 4th in group	3	0	1	2	1	5
2000	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 1st in group (qualified)	8	6	1	1	20	4
1998	World Cup finals	Quarter-finals	5	3	1	1	8	6
1998	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	10	6	4	0	23	9
1996	EURO finals	Winner	6	4	2	0	10	3
1996	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 1st in group (qualified)	10	8	1	1	27	10
1994	World Cup finals	Quarter-finals	5	3	1	1	9	7
1992	EURO finals	Final	5	2	1	2	7	8
1992	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 1st in group (qualified)	6	5	0	1	13	4
1990	World Cup finals	Winner	7	5	2	0	15	5
1990	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group (qualified)	6	3	3	0	13	3
1988	EURO finals	Semi-finals	4	2	1	1	6	3
1986	World Cup finals	Final	7	3	2	2	8	7
1986	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	8	5	2	1	22	9
1984	EURO finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	3	1	1	1	2	2
1984	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 1st in group (qualified)	8	5	1	2	15	5
1982	World Cup finals	Final	7	3	2	2	12	10
1982	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	8	8	0	0	33	3
1980	EURO finals	Winner	4	3	1	0	6	3
1980	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 1st in group (qualified)	6	4	2	0	17	1
1978	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	6	1	4	1	10	5
1976	EURO finals	Final	2	1	1	0	6	4
1976	EURO qualifying	Quarter-finals (qualified)	8	4	4	0	17	5
1974	World Cup finals	Winner	7	6	0	1	13	4
1972	EURO finals	Winner	2	2	0	0	5	1
1972	EURO qualifying	Quarter-finals (qualified)	8	5	3	0	13	3
1970	World Cup finals	3rd place	6	5	0	1	17	10
1970	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	6	5	1	0	20	3

**UEFA EURO and FIFA World Cup campaigns**

1968	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 2nd in group	4	2	1	1	9	2
1966	World Cup finals	Final	6	4	1	1	15	6
1966	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	4	3	1	0	14	2
1962	World Cup finals	Quarter-finals	4	2	1	1	4	2
1962	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	4	4	0	0	11	5
1958	World Cup finals	4th place	6	2	2	2	12	14
1954	World Cup finals	Winner	6	5	0	1	25	14
1954	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	4	3	1	0	12	3
1938	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage	2	0	1	1	3	5
1938	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	3	3	0	0	11	1
1934	World Cup finals	3rd place	4	3	0	1	11	8
1934	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	1	1	0	0	9	1

## Germany - Head to head against teams in other pots

### Germany v Albania

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
06/06/2001	FIFA World Cup	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Germany	0 - 2
24/03/2001	FIFA World Cup	Leverkusen (GER)	Germany - Albania	2 - 1
11/10/1997	FIFA World Cup	Hanover (GER)	Germany - Albania	4 - 3
02/04/1997	FIFA World Cup	Granada (ESP)	Albania - Germany	2 - 3
18/12/1994	UEFA EURO	Kaiserslautern (GER)	Germany - Albania	2 - 1
16/11/1994	UEFA EURO	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Germany	1 - 2
20/11/1983	UEFA EURO	Saarbrücken (GER)	Germany - Albania	2 - 1
30/03/1983	UEFA EURO	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Germany	1 - 2
18/11/1981	FIFA World Cup	Dortmund (GER)	Germany - Albania	8 - 0
01/04/1981	FIFA World Cup	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Germany	0 - 2
12/06/1971	UEFA EURO	Karlsruhe (GER)	Germany - Albania	2 - 0
17/02/1971	UEFA EURO	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Germany	0 - 1
17/12/1967	UEFA EURO	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Germany	0 - 0
09/04/1967	UEFA EURO	Dortmund (GER)	Germany - Albania	6 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	8	7	1	0	17	4
World Cup	6	6	0	0	21	6
Friendlies	-	-	-	-	-	-

- Albania and Germany (including West Germany) are frequent opponents in qualifying competition: they have been drawn together seven times.
- Germany have won 13 of the 14 games, racking up their biggest win in qualifying for the 1982 FIFA World Cup when a Karl-Heinz Rummenigge hat-trick helped the reigning European champions to an 8-0 win in Dortmund.
- Gerd Müller and Ulf Kirsten have also scored hat-tricks against Albania, the former bagging four in a 6-0 win – also in Dortmund – in the teams' first meeting, in April 1967.
- Albania's only qualifying point against Germany came in the teams' first encounter on Albanian soil – a 0-0 draw in 1967 that contributed to their opponents' only ever qualifying failure. Seven of Germany's last eight wins have been by a single-goal margin, the exception being the most recent encounter, in June 2001, when Rudi Völler's side won 2-0 in Tirana.

**Germany v Austria****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
06/09/2013	FIFA World Cup	Munich (GER)	Germany - Austria	3 - 0
11/09/2012	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Germany	1 - 2
02/09/2011	UEFA EURO	Gelsenkirchen (GER)	Germany - Austria	6 - 2
03/06/2011	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Germany	1 - 2
16/06/2008	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Germany	0 - 1
05/10/1983	UEFA EURO	Gelsenkirchen (GER)	Germany - Austria	3 - 0
27/04/1983	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Germany	0 - 0
25/06/1982	FIFA World Cup	Gijon (ESP)	Germany - Austria	1 - 0
14/10/1981	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Germany	1 - 3
29/04/1981	FIFA World Cup	Hamburg (GER)	Germany - Austria	2 - 0
21/06/1978	FIFA World Cup	Cordoba (ARG)	Austria - Germany	3 - 2
10/05/1969	FIFA World Cup	Nuremberg (GER)	Germany - Austria	1 - 0
13/10/1968	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Germany	0 - 2
30/06/1954	FIFA World Cup	Basel (SUI)	Germany - Austria	6 - 1
07/06/1934	FIFA World Cup	Naples (ITA)	Germany - Austria	3 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	5	4	1	0	12	3
World Cup	10	9	0	1	25	8
Friendlies	25	13	5	7	53	44

- Austria's only competitive victory against their neighbours came at the 1978 FIFA World Cup, when striker Hans Krankl scored twice in a famous 3-2 win.
- Four years later the teams took part in a well-known group match at the 1982 World Cup. Germany won 1-0 – a result that enabled both teams to progress to the second phase at the expense of Algeria, who had already completed their programme. The game led to the widespread practice of staging final group matches simultaneously.
- Germany defeated co-hosts Austria 1-0 in the final group game of UEFA EURO 2008, with a goal from Michael Ballack. Four qualifiers between the nations since then have all gone Germany's way, with a goal balance of 13-4.
- Germany head coach Joachim Löw won the Austrian league title with FC Tirol Innsbruck in 2001/02 and also coached Austria Wien.
- A large number of the players who helped Austria qualify for UEFA EURO 2016 play their club football across the border in Germany, including Bayern München star David Alaba and qualifying ever-present Zlatko Junuzovic (Werder Bremen), Florian Klein and Martin Harnik (both Stuttgart).

**Germany v Croatia****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
12/06/2008	UEFA EURO	Klagenfurt (AUT)	Croatia - Germany	2 - 1
04/07/1998	FIFA World Cup	Lyon (FRA)	Germany - Croatia	0 - 3
23/06/1996	UEFA EURO	Manchester (ENG)	Germany - Croatia	2 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	1	0	1	3	3
World Cup	1	0	0	1	0	3
Friendlies	5	4	1	0	15	4



- The countries' first official encounter came in a EURO '96 quarter-final. Croatia were reduced to ten men after Igor Štimac's red card, and Germany scored the decisive goal soon afterwards through 1996 Ballon d'Or winner Matthias Sammer.
- Croatia gained revenge two years later at the 1998 FIFA World Cup, unexpectedly winning another quarter-final by a 3-0 margin – after Germany defender Christian Wörns had been sent off. Robert Jarni, Goran Vlaović and Davor Šuker scored.
- Bastian Schweinsteiger was dismissed in added time when the teams met in the UEFA EURO 2008 group stage, meaning a player has been dismissed in each of the sides' three competitive contests. By that stage Germany were 2-1 down, having fallen behind to Darijo Srna and Ivica Olić before Lukas Podolski pulled one back.

## Germany v Czech Republic

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
17/10/2007	UEFA EURO	Munich (GER)	Germany - Czech Republic	0 - 3
24/03/2007	UEFA EURO	Prague (CZE)	Czech Republic - Germany	1 - 2
23/06/2004	UEFA EURO	Lisbon (POR)	Germany - Czech Republic	1 - 2
30/06/1996	UEFA EURO	London (ENG)	Czech Republic - Germany	1 - 2
09/06/1996	UEFA EURO	Manchester (ENG)	Germany - Czech Republic	2 - 0
01/07/1990	FIFA World Cup	Milan (ITA)	Czechoslovakia - Germany	0 - 1
17/11/1985	FIFA World Cup	Munich (GER)	Germany - Czechoslovakia	2 - 2
30/04/1985	FIFA World Cup	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Germany	1 - 5
11/06/1980	UEFA EURO	Rome (ITA)	Czechoslovakia - Germany	0 - 1
20/06/1976	UEFA EURO	Belgrade (SRB)	Czechoslovakia - Germany	2 - 2 (5-3p)
11/06/1958	FIFA World Cup	Helsinki (FIN)	Germany - Czechoslovakia	2 - 2
03/06/1934	FIFA World Cup	Rome (ITA)	Czechoslovakia - Germany	3 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	7	4	1	2	10	9
World Cup	5	2	2	1	11	8
Friendlies	11	8	1	2	25	16

- Germany beat the Czech Republic twice at EURO '96, 2-0 in the group stage and then 2-1 in the final at Wembley thanks to Oliver Bierhoff's extra-time golden goal. The Wembley win was revenge of a sort after West Germany lost the final of the 1976 UEFA European Championship to Czechoslovakia on penalties in Belgrade.
- The Czechs knocked Germany out of UEFA EURO 2004, Milan Baroš coming off the bench to score the winning goal and give his team a maximum nine points from their three group games.
- The countries both qualified for UEFA EURO 2008 with ease from the same group. Each beat the other away from home, Germany prevailing 2-1 in Prague and the Czech Republic winning 3-0 in Munich, Jaroslav Plašil completing the scoring. The Czechs, who have not played Germany since, were group winners.
- Germany and the Czech Republic have been drawn together in qualifying for the 2018 FIFA World Cup.

## Germany v Hungary

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
04/07/1954	FIFA World Cup	Berne (SUI)	Germany - Hungary	3 - 2
20/06/1954	FIFA World Cup	Basel (SUI)	Hungary - Germany	8 - 3

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	2	1	0	1	6	10
Friendlies	30	11	10	9	62	51

- The 1954 FIFA World Cup brought wildly differing fortunes for the two countries. Hungary overwhelmed West Germany 8-3 in a Basel group game but then went on to lose 3-2 in the Berne final, Helmut Rahn scoring both the equaliser and the late winner. It was the Mighty Magyars' only defeat in 50 matches over a seven-year period.
- Those matches in Switzerland remain the only competitive encounters between the two countries.
- While Germany are unbeaten on their last six visits to Budapest, Hungary have won the last two friendlies staged on German soil – 1-0 in Hamburg in January 1985 and 2-0 in Kaiserslautern in June 2004.
- Hungary's German coach Bernd Storck spent six seasons in the 1980s as a defender with Borussia Dortmund.

## Germany v Iceland

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
11/10/2003	UEFA EURO	Hamburg (GER)	Germany - Iceland	3 - 0
06/09/2003	UEFA EURO	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Germany	0 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	1	1	0	3	0
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	2	2	0	0	8	1

- Iceland held Germany to a goalless draw at the Laugardalsvöllur in the countries' first competitive encounter in September 2003. Rudi Völler's side won 3-0 in the return fixture in Hamburg the following month en route to qualifying for UEFA EURO 2004.
- The nations have not met since then, and that Hamburg contest remains their only game on German soil.
- Germany eliminated Lars Lagerbäck's Sweden from the 2006 FIFA World Cup with a 2-0 victory in the round of 16.

## Germany v Italy

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
28/06/2012	UEFA EURO	Warsaw (POL)	Germany - Italy	1 - 2
04/07/2006	FIFA World Cup	Dortmund (GER)	Germany - Italy	0 - 2 (aet)
19/06/1996	UEFA EURO	Manchester (ENG)	Italy - Germany	0 - 0
10/06/1988	UEFA EURO	Dusseldorf (GER)	Germany - Italy	1 - 1
11/07/1982	FIFA World Cup	Madrid (ESP)	Italy - Germany	3 - 1
14/06/1978	FIFA World Cup	Buenos Aires (ARG)	Germany - Italy	0 - 0
17/06/1970	FIFA World Cup	Mexico City (MEX)	Italy - Germany	4 - 3 (aet)
31/05/1962	FIFA World Cup	Santiago (CHI)	Germany - Italy	0 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	3	0	2	1	2	3
World Cup	5	0	2	3	4	9
Friendlies	24	7	6	11	30	36

- Germany have never beaten Italy in a competitive match. The nations have met at eight tournaments in each of the last six decades, including the 1982 FIFA World Cup final. Italy beat West Germany 3-1 in Madrid with goals from Paolo Rossi, Marco Tardelli and Alessandro Altobelli.
- Germany faced the Azzurri in the 2006 World Cup semi-final in Dortmund. Late extra-time goals from Fabio Grosso and Alessandro Del Piero took Marcello Lippi's team through.
- An even more dramatic World Cup semi-final took place in Mexico City in 1970, when extra time was also needed before Italy triumphed 4-3. The encounter is widely cited as the greatest World Cup match of all time.

- Their first two EURO finals meetings resulted in draws – the opening match of the 1988 tournament, which Germany hosted, and the final group game at EURO '96. In the latter fixture, a missed penalty from Gianfranco Zola effectively eliminated Italy from the competition.
- Germany's winless competitive run against Italy was extended in the semi-finals of UEFA EURO 2012, two Mario Balotelli goals giving the Azzurri a 2-1 victory in Warsaw.

### Germany v Northern Ireland

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
08/09/1999	UEFA EURO	Dortmund (GER)	Germany - Northern Ireland	4 - 0
27/03/1999	UEFA EURO	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Germany	0 - 3
20/08/1997	FIFA World Cup	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Germany	1 - 3
09/11/1996	FIFA World Cup	Nuremberg (GER)	Germany - Northern Ireland	1 - 1
16/11/1983	UEFA EURO	Hamburg (GER)	Germany - Northern Ireland	0 - 1
17/11/1982	UEFA EURO	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Germany	1 - 0
10/05/1961	FIFA World Cup	Berlin (GER)	Germany - Northern Ireland	2 - 1
26/10/1960	FIFA World Cup	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Germany	3 - 4
15/06/1958	FIFA World Cup	Malmo (SWE)	Germany - Northern Ireland	2 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	2	0	2	7	2
World Cup	5	3	2	0	12	8
Friendlies	5	3	2	0	13	3

- Northern Ireland famously did the double over West Germany in the qualifying competition for EURO '84, Ian Stewart scoring the only goal in Belfast and Norman Whiteside doing likewise in Hamburg. Those remain their only victories in 14 meetings.
- The only time the countries have come face to face at a major tournament was at the 1958 FIFA World Cup, a 2-2 group draw in Malmo. Both teams progressed to the quarter-finals.
- Just one match has been played between the sides this century – a June 2005 friendly in Belfast which Germany won 4-1 – but there will be two more in the 2018 World Cup qualifiers.

### Germany v Poland

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
04/09/2015	UEFA EURO	Frankfurt am Main (GER)	Germany - Poland	3 - 1
11/10/2014	UEFA EURO	Warsaw (POL)	Poland - Germany	2 - 0
08/06/2008	UEFA EURO	Klagenfurt (AUT)	Germany - Poland	2 - 0
14/06/2006	FIFA World Cup	Dortmund (GER)	Germany - Poland	1 - 0
01/06/1978	FIFA World Cup	Buenos Aires (ARG)	Germany - Poland	0 - 0
03/07/1974	FIFA World Cup	Frankfurt am Main (GER)	Poland - Germany	0 - 1
17/11/1971	UEFA EURO	Hamburg (GER)	Germany - Poland	0 - 0
10/10/1971	UEFA EURO	Warsaw (POL)	Poland - Germany	1 - 3

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	5	3	1	1	8	4
World Cup	3	2	1	0	2	0
Friendlies	12	8	4	0	24	8

- Poland finally ended their 18-match winless run against Germany when they defeated the world champions 2-0 in Warsaw during the UEFA EURO 2016 qualifying campaign, Arkadiusz Milik and Sebastian Mila getting the goals. The return match in Frankfurt ended 3-1 to Joachim Löw's side, who went on to top the group.
- Two Lukas Podolski goals earned Germany a 2-0 victory against the country of his birth at UEFA EURO 2008. Two years earlier, Oliver Neuville's last-minute winner knocked Poland out of the 2006 FIFA World Cup.
- The teams also met at the first World Cup staged on German soil, in 1974. Again the hosts won 1-0, in a decisive second phase game in Frankfurt, thanks to a late winner from Gerd Müller.
- Poland striker Robert Lewandowski, the UEFA EURO 2016 qualifying competition's leading scorer with a record 13 goals, plays alongside several current and former German internationals at Bayern München. Compatriots Łukasz Piszczek (Borussia Dortmund) and Paweł Olkowski (Köln) are also Bundesliga-based.

## Germany v Republic of Ireland

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
08/10/2015	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Germany	1 - 0
14/10/2014	UEFA EURO	Gelsenkirchen (GER)	Germany - Republic of Ireland	1 - 1
11/10/2013	FIFA World Cup	Cologne (GER)	Germany - Republic of Ireland	3 - 0
12/10/2012	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Germany	1 - 6
13/10/2007	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Germany	0 - 0
02/09/2006	UEFA EURO	Stuttgart (GER)	Germany - Republic of Ireland	1 - 0
05/06/2002	FIFA World Cup	Ibaraki (JPN)	Germany - Republic of Ireland	1 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	1	2	1	2	2
World Cup	3	2	1	0	10	2
Friendlies	13	6	2	5	23	20

- Beaten 9-2 overall by Germany in their two 2014 FIFA World Cup qualifiers, Ireland recovered under Martin O'Neill to get the better of the world champions in UEFA EURO 2016 qualifying. A last-gasp equaliser from defender John O'Shea on his 100th appearance gave Ireland a 1-1 draw in Gelsenkirchen, O'Neill's charges then beating Joachim Löw's side 1-0 in Dublin with a Shane Long strike. Germany nevertheless topped the group while Ireland finished third.
- The teams also met during qualifying for UEFA EURO 2008, Germany winning 1-0 at home with a goal from Lukas Podolski. A 0-0 draw in Dublin made them the first nation to secure their finals place alongside hosts Austria and Switzerland.
- Their only meeting at a major tournament came at the 2002 World Cup, the first competitive match between the nations. A late Robbie Keane equaliser in Kashima cancelled out Miroslav Klose's goal.

## Germany v Romania

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
12/06/2000	UEFA EURO	Liege (BEL)	Germany - Romania	1 - 1
17/06/1984	UEFA EURO	Lens (FRA)	Germany - Romania	2 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	1	1	0	3	2
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	11	7	2	2	35	16

- West Germany defeated Romania 2-1 at EURO '84 with two Rudi Völler goals, although they failed to reach the semi-finals. There was another first-round exit for Germany at UEFA EURO 2000, where a 1-1 draw with Romania

was their only point; the Romanians did proceed to the quarter-finals.

- Romania have won their last two home fixtures against Germany – 1-0 in November 1967 and 5-1 in April 2004 with Răzvan Raț, who still plays for his country, among those on target.
- The most recent encounter, a Cologne friendly in September 2007, resulted in a 3-1 win for Germany. Lukas Podolski completed the scoring.

### Germany v Russia

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
10/10/2009	FIFA World Cup	Moscow (RUS)	Russia - Germany	0 - 1
11/10/2008	FIFA World Cup	Dortmund (GER)	Germany - Russia	2 - 1
16/06/1996	UEFA EURO	Manchester (ENG)	Russia - Germany	0 - 3
12/06/1992	UEFA EURO	Norrköping (SWE)	USSR - Germany	1 - 1
18/06/1972	UEFA EURO	Brussels (BEL)	Germany - USSR	3 - 0
25/07/1966	FIFA World Cup	Liverpool (ENG)	Germany - USSR	2 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	3	2	1	0	7	1
World Cup	3	3	0	0	5	2
Friendlies	13	9	1	3	36	12

- One goal from Matthias Sammer and two from Jürgen Klinsmann gave Germany a 3-0 win over Russia in their second group game of EURO '96.
- The first official meeting of the countries was in 1912, at the Stockholm Olympics 'consolation tournament' (for early-round fallers), where Germany beat Tsarist Russia 16-0. Ten of the goals were scored by one player – Gottfried Fuchs.
- The most recent fixtures came in qualification for the 2010 FIFA World Cup, with Germany winning both matches – 2-1 in Dortmund and 1-0 in Moscow.
- West Germany defeated the USSR 3-0 to claim their first UEFA European Championship title in the 1972 final in Brussels.

### Germany v Slovakia

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
06/06/2007	UEFA EURO	Hamburg (GER)	Germany - Slovakia	2 - 1
11/10/2006	UEFA EURO	Bratislava (SVK)	Slovakia - Germany	1 - 4
01/07/1990	FIFA World Cup	Milan (ITA)	Czechoslovakia - Germany	0 - 1
17/11/1985	FIFA World Cup	Munich (GER)	Germany - Czechoslovakia	2 - 2
30/04/1985	FIFA World Cup	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Germany	1 - 5
11/06/1980	UEFA EURO	Rome (ITA)	Czechoslovakia - Germany	0 - 1
20/06/1976	UEFA EURO	Belgrade (SRB)	Czechoslovakia - Germany	2 - 2 (5-3p)
11/06/1958	FIFA World Cup	Helsinki (FIN)	Germany - Czechoslovakia	2 - 2
03/06/1934	FIFA World Cup	Rome (ITA)	Czechoslovakia - Germany	3 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	3	1	0	9	4
World Cup	5	2	2	1	11	8
Friendlies	17	12	1	4	37	21

- Germany overcame Slovakia home and away in qualifying for UEFA EURO 2008. A 4-1 win in Bratislava – in which Lukas Podolski scored twice and Bastian Schweinsteiger once – preceded a 2-1 victory in Hamburg.

- Those are the countries' only two competitive matches. Each has beaten the other 2-0 at home in friendlies, Miroslav Karhan's double against Jürgen Klinsmann's Germany in September 2005 bringing Slovakia one of their more memorable victories.
- Slovakian internationals Peter Pekarík (Hertha Berlin) and Dušan Švento (Köln) play in the German Bundesliga.

### Germany v Sweden

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
15/10/2013	FIFA World Cup	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Germany	3 - 5
16/10/2012	FIFA World Cup	Berlin (GER)	Germany - Sweden	4 - 4
24/06/2006	FIFA World Cup	Munich (GER)	Germany - Sweden	2 - 0
21/06/1992	UEFA EURO	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Germany	2 - 3
25/09/1985	FIFA World Cup	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Germany	2 - 2
17/10/1984	FIFA World Cup	Cologne (GER)	Germany - Sweden	2 - 0
30/06/1974	FIFA World Cup	Dusseldorf (GER)	Germany - Sweden	4 - 2
26/09/1965	FIFA World Cup	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Germany	1 - 2
04/11/1964	FIFA World Cup	Berlin (GER)	Germany - Sweden	1 - 1
24/06/1958	FIFA World Cup	Gothenburg (SWE)	Sweden - Germany	3 - 1
21/11/1937	FIFA World Cup	Hamburg (GER)	Germany - Sweden	5 - 0
31/05/1934	FIFA World Cup	Milan (ITA)	Germany - Sweden	2 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	1	1	0	0	3	2
World Cup	11	7	3	1	30	17
Friendlies	25	8	6	11	40	40

- Germany and Sweden shared 16 goals in two remarkable qualifiers for the 2014 FIFA World Cup. The first match, in Berlin, ended 4-4 after Sweden came back from four goals down after an hour's play, Rasmus Elm scoring the equaliser in added time. The return fixture in Solna finished 5-3 to Germany, André Schürrle contributing a hat-trick.
- Germany eliminated Sweden from the 2006 World Cup, winning their round of 16 encounter 2-0 with two goals from Lukas Podolski. Less than two months later they met again in a Gelsenkirchen friendly, Germany triumphing 3-0.
- Their only EURO meeting came at the 1992 tournament. Then world champions Germany defeated their Swedish hosts 3-2 in the semi-finals, Karl-Heinz Riedle twice finding the net.

### Germany v Switzerland

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
12/07/1966	FIFA World Cup	Sheffield (ENG)	Germany - Switzerland	5 - 0
03/06/1962	FIFA World Cup	Santiago De Chile (CHI)	Germany - Switzerland	2 - 1
09/06/1938	FIFA World Cup	Paris (FRA)	Switzerland - Germany	4 - 2
04/06/1938	FIFA World Cup	Paris (FRA)	Switzerland - Germany	1 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	4	2	1	1	10	6
Friendlies	47	34	5	8	128	59

- There have been no competitive matches between the countries since the 1966 FIFA World Cup, when West Germany cruised to a 5-0 win in which Franz Beckenbauer scored twice.

- Switzerland ended an 18-game, 56-year wait for a victory over Germany when they defeated them 5-3 in a Basel friendly in May 2012. That was the teams' most recent meeting.
- Many of the regulars in Vladimir Petković's Switzerland side play in the German Bundesliga, including Borussia Mönchengladbach's Yann Sommer, Granit Xhaka and Josip Drmic, Wolfsburg's Timm Klose and Ricardo Rodriguez and Admir Mehmedi at Bayer Leverkusen – all clubs in the 2015/16 UEFA Champions League group stage.

## Germany v Turkey

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
07/10/2011	UEFA EURO	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Germany	1 - 3
08/10/2010	UEFA EURO	Berlin (GER)	Germany - Turkey	3 - 0
25/06/2008	UEFA EURO	Basel (SUI)	Germany - Turkey	3 - 2
09/10/1999	UEFA EURO	Munich (GER)	Germany - Turkey	0 - 0
10/10/1998	UEFA EURO	Bursa (TUR)	Turkey - Germany	1 - 0
26/10/1983	UEFA EURO	Berlin (GER)	Germany - Turkey	5 - 1
23/04/1983	UEFA EURO	Izmir (TUR)	Turkey - Germany	0 - 3
22/12/1979	UEFA EURO	Gelsenkirchen (GER)	Germany - Turkey	2 - 0
01/04/1979	UEFA EURO	Izmir (TUR)	Turkey - Germany	0 - 0
25/04/1971	UEFA EURO	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Germany	0 - 3
17/10/1970	UEFA EURO	Cologne (GER)	Germany - Turkey	1 - 1
23/06/1954	FIFA World Cup	Zurich (SUI)	Germany - Turkey	7 - 2
17/06/1954	FIFA World Cup	Berne (SUI)	Germany - Turkey	4 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	11	7	3	1	23	6
World Cup	2	2	0	0	11	3
Friendlies	7	5	0	2	15	4

- Germany and Turkey qualified for UEFA EURO 2000 from the same group, Turkey claiming a historic 1-0 success in Bursa courtesy of a headed goal from all-time record scorer Hakan Şükür. It was their first competitive victory against Germany in nine attempts and their first overall since the countries' inaugural encounter, in 1951, which Turkey won 2-1 in Berlin.
- The nations' most famous fixture to date came in the UEFA EURO 2008 semi-finals, when Philipp Lahm's 90th-minute winner gave Joachim Löw's Germany a 3-2 triumph against Fatih Terim's Turkey side.
- Five of Germany's most legendary strikers – Gerd Müller, Jupp Heynckes, Karl-Heinz Rummenigge, Rudi Völler and Miroslav Klose – have all scored two goals in a game against Turkey. Two others – Uwe Seeler and Max Morlock – have managed hat-tricks.
- Turkey's Hakan Çalhanoğlu plays for Bundesliga club Bayer Leverkusen.

**Germany v Ukraine****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
14/11/2001	FIFA World Cup	Dortmund (GER)	Germany - Ukraine	4 - 1 (agg: 5-2)
10/11/2001	FIFA World Cup	Kyiv (UKR)	Ukraine - Germany	1 - 1
07/06/1997	FIFA World Cup	Kyiv (UKR)	Ukraine - Germany	0 - 0
30/04/1997	FIFA World Cup	Bremen (GER)	Germany - Ukraine	2 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	4	2	2	0	7	2
Friendlies	1	0	1	0	3	3

- Germany maintained their record of never having failed to qualify for the FIFA World Cup when they overcame Ukraine 5-2 on aggregate in a play-off for the 2002 tournament. The second leg in Dortmund, a 4-1 home win, was Ukraine's last match under Valeriy Lobanovskiy.
- The teams first met in qualifying for the 1998 World Cup. Oliver Bierhoff and Mario Basler scored Germany's goals in a 2-0 home win before a 0-0 draw in Kyiv.
- The first friendly between the countries took place on 11 November 2011 and produced a 3-3 thriller in the inaugural international staged at the refurbished UEFA EURO 2012 final venue in Kyiv. Germany came from 3-1 down to level with a 77th-minute strike from Thomas Müller; first-half goals from Andriy Yarmolenko and Yevhen Konoplyanka had put the hosts 2-0 up.

**Germany v Wales****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
01/04/2009	FIFA World Cup	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Germany	0 - 2
15/10/2008	FIFA World Cup	Monchengladbach (GER)	Germany - Wales	1 - 0
21/11/2007	UEFA EURO	Frankfurt am Main (GER)	Germany - Wales	0 - 0
08/09/2007	UEFA EURO	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Germany	0 - 2
11/10/1995	UEFA EURO	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Germany	1 - 2
26/04/1995	UEFA EURO	Dusseldorf (GER)	Germany - Wales	1 - 1
16/10/1991	UEFA EURO	Nuremberg (GER)	Germany - Wales	4 - 1
05/06/1991	UEFA EURO	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Germany	1 - 0
15/11/1989	FIFA World Cup	Cologne (GER)	Germany - Wales	2 - 1
31/05/1989	FIFA World Cup	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Germany	0 - 0
17/10/1979	UEFA EURO	Cologne (GER)	Germany - Wales	5 - 1
02/05/1979	UEFA EURO	Wrexham (WAL)	Wales - Germany	0 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	8	5	2	1	16	5
World Cup	4	3	1	0	5	1
Friendlies	5	1	3	1	5	4

- Germany and Wales have been drawn together in six qualifying campaigns, four of them in the UEFA European Championship. In three of those Germany went on to win the trophy – EURO '80, the 1990 FIFA World Cup and EURO '96.
- Wales' sole competitive victory over Germany came in qualifying for EURO '92, Ian Rush scoring the only goal in Cardiff. The team from the Principality have failed to score in their last four matches against Germany, three of



them ending in defeat.

- Wales midfielder Aaron Ramsey plays alongside Germany's Mesut Özil at Arsenal, while Joe Allen and Emre Can are team-mates at Liverpool.

## England

### England - Team profile

**Best result:** semi-finals 1968, 1996

**Coach:** Roy Hodgson

**Leading scorers:** all-time – Wayne Rooney (51); current – Wayne Rooney (51)

**Most appearances:** all-time – Peter Shilton (125); current – Wayne Rooney (109)

**Association formed:** 1863

**Nickname:** Three Lions

**Where they play:** Wembley, London

England's recent record in major tournaments could have looked very different had it not been for penalty shoot-outs. Since losing on spot kicks to West Germany in the semi-finals of the 1990 FIFA World Cup in Italy, they have been eliminated by that method from five further tournaments – three UEFA European Championships (1996, 2004 and 2012) and two World Cups (1998, 2006). It means the 1966 World Cup triumph on home soil remains their only final appearance, although Roy Hodgson's team, group stage fallers at the 2014 World Cup, should travel to France in confident mood having qualified for UEFA EURO 2016 with ten wins out of ten.

#### EURO pedigree

##### Matches played

**Overall:** P127 W75 D33 L19 F257 A89

**Final tournament:** P27 W9 D9 L9 F36 A31

**Qualifying:** P100 W66 D24 L10 F221 A58

England are alone among Europe's World Cup-winning nations in failing to capture the Henri Delaunay Cup. Indeed, they are yet to reach a UEFA European Championship final, having come closest in 1996, when they hosted the event, only to be denied by Germany in a semi-final penalty shoot-out defeat at Wembley. They also reached the last four – as world champions – in 1968, but otherwise the competition has brought few happy memories.

In the four eight-team final tournaments from 1980 to 1992, England were unable to reach the knockout phase, failing to qualify altogether for the 1984 edition in France. EURO '96 apart, they have also struggled to make an impression in the 16-team finals, going out at the group stage in 2000 and suffering elimination in qualifying for the 2008 tournament. On the other two occasions, in 2004 and 2012, respective quarter-finals with Portugal and Italy both ended in shoot-out disappointments.

#### Memorable EURO matches

##### 21/06/04: Croatia 2-4 England, UEFA EURO 2004 group stage

Two Wayne Rooney goals helped England come from behind to book a quarter-final berth.

##### 18/06/96: Netherlands 1-4 England, EURO '96 group stage

Alan Shearer and Teddy Sheringham both scored twice in a famous Wembley win.

##### 11/11/87: Yugoslavia 1-4 England, 1988 UEFA European Championship qualifying

England struck four times in the opening 25 minutes in Belgrade to earn a decisive victory.

#### Did you know?

England have only ever won one knockout fixture at a EURO final tournament – ironically on penalties, against Spain after a 0-0 draw on home soil at Wembley in 1996.

\*Last updated on 18/11/2015

## England - Coach profile

### Roy Hodgson

**Date of birth:** 9 August 1947

**Nationality:** English

**Playing career:** Crystal Palace FC, Tonbridge Angels FC, Gravesend and Northfleet FC, Maidstone United FC, Berea Park FC

**Coaching career:** Halmstads BK, Bristol City FC, IK Oddevold, Örebro SK, Malmö FF, Neuchâtel Xamax FC, Switzerland, FC Internazionale Milano (twice), Blackburn Rovers FC, Grasshopper Club, FC København, Udinese Calcio, United Arab Emirates, Viking FK, Finland, Fulham FC, Liverpool FC, West Bromwich Albion FC, England

- After he spent most of his playing days in the English non-league system, Hodgson's coaching career spanning eight countries began with Halmstad. He guided the Swedish club to their first-ever Allsvenskan titles in 1976 and 1979; then guided Malmö to top of the table for five years in a row, although the play-off system then used meant they were champions only twice in that time.
- A period at Xamax followed before the first of four forays into international management. Hodgson's Switzerland qualified for the 1994 FIFA World Cup – their first in 28 years – and then EURO '96 but the coach departed for Inter before the latter tournament.
- After taking the Nerazzurri to the 1997 UEFA Cup final, Hodgson had spells in England, Switzerland, Denmark, Italy, the UAE, Norway and Finland, as well as a short stint back at Inter as technical director.
- He returned to England and relegation-threatened Fulham in 2007/08, helping them to safety in his first term, a club-best seventh in the Premier League in his second and then the 2010 UEFA Europa League final. The 2-1 extra-time defeat by Club Atlético de Madrid proved his last game with the Cottagers, before he accepted the reins at Liverpool.
- He left Anfield after 31 matches in charge, the shortest reign in Liverpool history, yet within five weeks was at West Brom, whom he steered to a then Premier League high of 11th. He was appointed England manager on 1 May 2012 and took them to the quarter-finals of UEFA EURO 2012 and also reached the 2014 World Cup, where they failed to get out of the group stage, although they made serene progress to UEFA EURO 2016.

## England - Team facts

### EURO record

	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
Overall	127	75	33	19	257	89
Final tournament	27	9	9	9	36	31
Qualifying	100	66	24	10	221	58

### UEFA European Championship records: England

#### History

2012 – quarter-finals  
 2008 – did not qualify  
 2004 – quarter-finals  
 2000 – group stage  
 1996 – semi-finals  
 1992 – group stage  
 1988 – group stage  
 1984 – did not qualify  
 1980 – group stage  
 1976 – did not qualify  
 1972 – quarter-finals  
 1968 – third place  
 1964 – did not qualify  
 1960 – did not enter

#### Final tournament win

**1-4:** Netherlands v England, 18/06/96  
**3-0:** England v Switzerland, 17/06/04

#### Final tournament defeat

**1-3:** England v USSR, 18/06/88  
**1-3:** England v Netherlands, 15/06/88

#### Qualifying win

**9-0:** England v Luxembourg, 15/12/82

#### Qualifying defeat

**5-2:** France v England, 27/02/63

#### Final tournament appearances

**11:** Gary Neville  
**9:** Tony Adams  
**9:** Steven Gerrard  
**9:** Alan Shearer  
**8:** Sol Campbell  
**8:** Stuart Pearce

#### Final tournament goals

**7:** Alan Shearer  
**5:** Wayne Rooney  
**3:** Frank Lampard

#### Overall appearances

**33:** Wayne Rooney  
**30:** Steven Gerrard  
**29:** Ashley Cole  
**26:** Michael Owen  
**24:** Gary Neville  
**24:** John Terry

#### Overall goals

**19:** Wayne Rooney  
**13:** Michael Owen  
**13:** Alan Shearer

8: Geoff Hurst

8: Kevin Keegan

**UEFA EURO and FIFA World Cup campaigns**

Season	Competition	Result	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
2016	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group	10	10	0	0	31	3
2014	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	10	6	4	0	31	4
2012	EURO finals	Quarter-finals	4	2	2	0	5	3
2012	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	8	5	3	0	17	5
2010	World Cup finals	Round of 16	4	1	2	1	3	5
2010	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	10	9	0	1	34	6
2008	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	12	7	2	3	24	7
2006	World Cup finals	Quarter-finals	5	3	2	0	6	2
2006	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	10	8	1	1	17	5
2004	EURO finals	Quarter-finals	4	2	1	1	10	6
2004	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	8	6	2	0	14	5
2002	World Cup finals	Quarter-finals	5	2	2	1	6	3
2002	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	8	5	2	1	16	6
2000	EURO finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	3	1	0	2	5	6
2000	EURO qualifying	Play-off for Final Tournament (qualified)	10	4	4	2	16	5
1998	World Cup finals	Round of 16	4	2	1	1	7	4
1998	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	8	6	1	1	15	2
1996	EURO finals	Semi-finals	5	2	3	0	8	3
1994	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	10	5	3	2	26	9
1992	EURO finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 4th in group	3	0	2	1	1	2
1992	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 1st in group (qualified)	6	3	3	0	7	3
1990	World Cup finals	4th place	7	3	3	1	8	6
1990	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group (qualified)	6	3	3	0	10	0
1988	EURO finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 4th in group	3	0	0	3	2	7
1988	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 1st in group (qualified)	6	5	1	0	19	1
1986	World Cup finals	Quarter-finals	5	2	1	2	7	3
1986	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	8	4	4	0	21	2
1984	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 2nd in group	8	5	2	1	23	3
1982	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 2nd in group	5	3	2	0	6	1
1982	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group (qualified)	8	4	1	3	13	8
1980	EURO finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	3	1	1	1	3	3
1980	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 1st in group (qualified)	8	7	1	0	22	5
1978	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	6	5	0	1	15	4
1976	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 2nd in group	6	3	2	1	11	3
1974	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	4	1	2	1	3	4
1972	EURO qualifying	Quarter-finals	8	5	2	1	16	6
1970	World Cup finals	Quarter-finals	4	2	0	2	4	4
1968	EURO finals	3rd place	2	1	0	1	2	1
1968	EURO qualifying	Quarter-finals (qualified)	8	6	1	1	18	6
1966	World Cup finals	Winner	6	5	1	0	11	3
1964	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round	2	0	1	1	3	6
1962	World Cup finals	Quarter-finals	4	1	1	2	5	6

**UEFA EURO and FIFA World Cup campaigns**

1962	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	4	3	1	0	16	2
1958	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	4	0	3	1	4	5
1958	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	4	3	1	0	15	5
1954	World Cup finals	Quarter-finals	3	2	0	1	9	7
1954	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	3	3	0	0	11	4
1950	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 2nd in group	3	1	0	2	2	2
1950	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	3	3	0	0	14	3

## England - Head to head against teams in other pots

### England v Albania

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
05/09/2001	FIFA World Cup	Newcastle (ENG)	England - Albania	2 - 0
28/03/2001	FIFA World Cup	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - England	1 - 3
26/04/1989	FIFA World Cup	London (ENG)	England - Albania	5 - 0
08/03/1989	FIFA World Cup	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - England	0 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	4	4	0	0	12	1
Friendlies	-	-	-	-	-	-

- England have won all four of their meetings with Albania – all FIFA World Cup qualifiers.
- Back-to-back qualifiers in the spring of 1989 brought a 2-0 win for Bobby Robson's team in Tirana followed by a 5-0 victory, with Peter Beardsley on target twice at Wembley.
- Michael Owen found the net on both occasions that the teams met in 2002 World Cup qualifying, England winning 3-1 in Tirana and 2-0 in Newcastle.

### England v Austria

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
08/10/2005	FIFA World Cup	Manchester (ENG)	England - Austria	1 - 0
04/09/2004	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - England	2 - 2
15/06/1958	FIFA World Cup	Boras (SWE)	England - Austria	2 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	3	1	2	0	5	4
Friendlies	15	9	2	4	53	23

- There have only been three competitive fixtures between Austria and England, with the sole meeting at a major tournament coming at the 1958 FIFA World Cup, where the teams drew 2-2 in a group game. Neither progressed to the quarter-finals.
- England got the better of Austria in 2006 World Cup qualifying, drawing 2-2 in Vienna and winning 1-0 in Manchester.
- Austria have not played England at Wembley since 1973, when they lost 7-0. The most recent friendly fixture, in November 2007 in Vienna, also resulted in an England win, Peter Crouch scoring the only goal.
- Austria captain Christian Fuchs plays in England with Leicester City. Marko Arnautovic and Sebastian Prödl are at Stoke City and Watford respectively.

**England v Croatia****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
09/09/2009	FIFA World Cup	London (ENG)	England - Croatia	5 - 1
10/09/2008	FIFA World Cup	Zagreb (CRO)	Croatia - England	1 - 4
21/11/2007	UEFA EURO	London (ENG)	England - Croatia	2 - 3
11/10/2006	UEFA EURO	Zagreb (CRO)	Croatia - England	2 - 0
21/06/2004	UEFA EURO	Lisbon (POR)	Croatia - England	2 - 4

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	3	1	0	2	6	7
World Cup	2	2	0	0	9	2
Friendlies	2	1	1	0	3	1

- The first competitive meeting between the countries took place at UEFA EURO 2004, where a Wayne Rooney double inspired England to a 4-2 win in Lisbon that took his team into the quarter-finals at Croatia's expense.
- Croatia got their revenge in qualifying for UEFA EURO 2008 when they did the double over England, topping the group. With their qualification already assured, they eliminated Steve McClaren's injury-hit side with a last-day 3-2 victory at Wembley.
- The pendulum swung back in England's favour during the 2010 FIFA World Cup qualifiers as Fabio Capello's team overcame Croatia 4-1 in Zagreb – courtesy of a Theo Walcott hat-trick. They added a resounding, qualification-clinching 5-1 at Wembley in which midfielders Frank Lampard and Steven Gerrard each scored twice.

**England v Czech Republic****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
20/06/1982	FIFA World Cup	Bilbao (ESP)	England - Czechoslovakia	2 - 0
30/10/1975	UEFA EURO	Bratislava (SVK)	Czechoslovakia - England	2 - 1
30/10/1974	UEFA EURO	London (ENG)	England - Czechoslovakia	3 - 0
11/06/1970	FIFA World Cup	Guadalajara (MEX)	England - Czechoslovakia	1 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	1	0	1	4	2
World Cup	2	2	0	0	3	0
Friendlies	10	5	4	1	22	15

- There have been no competitive meetings between the Czech Republic and England. The two friendlies – both at Wembley – resulted in a 2-0 win for the hosts in 1998 and, ten years later, a 2-2 draw in which England's Joe Cole scored an added-time equaliser.
- England defeated Czechoslovakia in their two major tournament encounters – 1-0 at the 1970 FIFA World Cup in Guadalajara, Mexico and 2-0 at the 1982 tournament in Bilbao, Spain.
- En route to becoming champions of Europe in 1976, Czechoslovakia topped their group ahead of England despite losing 3-0 at Wembley. They made amends with a 2-1 win in Bratislava.
- Czech goalkeeper Petr Čech had 11 years at Chelsea before joining London rivals Arsenal in the summer of 2015.



## England v Hungary

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
12/10/1983	UEFA EURO	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - England	0 - 3
27/04/1983	UEFA EURO	London (ENG)	England - Hungary	2 - 0
18/11/1981	FIFA World Cup	London (ENG)	England - Hungary	1 - 0
06/06/1981	FIFA World Cup	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - England	1 - 3
31/05/1962	FIFA World Cup	Rancagua (CHI)	Hungary - England	2 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	2	0	0	5	0
World Cup	3	2	0	1	5	3
Friendlies	17	11	2	4	51	27

- Hungary famously defeated England 6-3 at Wembley in November 1953, Nándor Hidegkuti scoring a hat-trick, before demolishing the same opposition 7-1 in Budapest six months later – still England's heaviest ever defeat.
- Since losing 2-1 to Hungary at the 1962 FIFA World Cup, however, England have won 11 of the 13 fixtures between the countries, drawing the other two. They have conceded just five goals during that sequence, which featured seven successive clean sheets between 1981 and 1996.
- The teams last met at Wembley in August 2010, with England coming back from a Phil Jagielka own goal to win with a double from Steven Gerrard. He also opened the scoring four years earlier in a 3-1 victory at Old Trafford.

### England v Iceland

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	2	1	1	0	7	2

- England first met Iceland in a warm-up game for the 1982 FIFA World Cup, drawing 1-1 in Reykjavik. Paul Goddard scored for the visitors and Arnór Gudjohnsen was on target for the hosts.
- The only other meeting took place at the City of Manchester Stadium in a pre-UEFA EURO 2004 friendly, England running out 6-1 winners as Wayne Rooney and Darius Vassell both registered twice.
- Gylfi Sigurdsson, Iceland's six-goal top scorer in UEFA EURO 2016 qualifying, plays in the English Premier League with Swansea City.

**England v Italy****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
15/06/2014	FIFA World Cup	Manaus (BRA)	England - Italy	1 - 2
24/06/2012	UEFA EURO	Kyiv (UKR)	England - Italy	0 - 0 (2-4p)
11/10/1997	FIFA World Cup	Rome (ITA)	Italy - England	0 - 0
12/02/1997	FIFA World Cup	London (ENG)	England - Italy	0 - 1
07/07/1990	FIFA World Cup	Bari (ITA)	Italy - England	2 - 1
15/06/1980	UEFA EURO	Turin (ITA)	England - Italy	0 - 1
16/11/1977	FIFA World Cup	London (ENG)	England - Italy	2 - 0
17/11/1976	FIFA World Cup	Rome (ITA)	Italy - England	2 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	0	1	1	0	1
World Cup	6	1	1	4	4	7
Friendlies	18	7	6	5	28	22

- The nations met in the UEFA EURO 2012 quarter-finals, Italy prevailing on penalties after a goalless draw in Kyiv and going on to reach the final.
- The Azzurri also got the better of England in the opening group game of the 2014 FIFA World Cup, winning 2-1 in Manaus. Neither team, however, managed to qualify for the knockout phase.
- Italy defeated England 2-1 in the third place play-off at the 1990 World Cup after both sides had lost their semi-finals on penalties.
- England have never eliminated Italy from a major tournament, though they did top their group ahead of the Azzurri when Glenn Hoddle's men drew 0-0 in Rome to gain direct qualification for the 1998 World Cup. Italy later joined them in France via the play-offs.
- Italy striker Graziano Pellè plays his club football in England with Southampton; he was uncapped until his move to the Premier League in summer 2014.

**England v Northern Ireland****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
07/09/2005	FIFA World Cup	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - England	1 - 0
26/03/2005	FIFA World Cup	Manchester (ENG)	England - Northern Ireland	4 - 0
01/04/1987	UEFA EURO	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - England	0 - 2
15/10/1986	UEFA EURO	London (ENG)	England - Northern Ireland	3 - 0
13/11/1985	FIFA World Cup	London (ENG)	England - Northern Ireland	0 - 0
27/02/1985	FIFA World Cup	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - England	0 - 1
17/10/1979	UEFA EURO	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - England	1 - 5
07/02/1979	UEFA EURO	London (ENG)	England - Northern Ireland	4 - 0
22/11/1967	UEFA EURO	London (ENG)	England - Northern Ireland	2 - 0
22/10/1966	UEFA EURO	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - England	0 - 2
11/11/1953	FIFA World Cup	Liverpool (ENG)	England - Northern Ireland	3 - 1
16/11/1949	FIFA World Cup	Manchester (ENG)	England - Northern Ireland	9 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	6	6	0	0	18	1
World Cup	6	4	1	1	17	4
Friendlies	86	65	15	6	288	76

- Perennial Home International opponents from 1882 to 1984, England and Northern Ireland have met 98 times, with the former on 75 victories, the latter on seven.
- The countries qualified together for the 1986 FIFA World Cup after a 0-0 draw at Wembley followed a 1-0 win for England in Belfast.
- Two victories for England gave them the edge in the EURO '88 qualifiers, 3-0 at Wembley and 2-0 at Windsor Park.
- Having lost 4-0 to England at Old Trafford in the 2006 World Cup qualifiers, David Healy scored the goal that gave Northern Ireland a rapturously received 1-0 triumph over Sven Göran Eriksson's side in the Belfast return, the teams' last fixture.

## England v Poland

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
15/10/2013	FIFA World Cup	London (ENG)	England - Poland	2 - 0
17/10/2012	FIFA World Cup	Warsaw (POL)	Poland - England	1 - 1
12/10/2005	FIFA World Cup	Manchester (ENG)	England - Poland	2 - 1
08/09/2004	FIFA World Cup	Chorzow (POL)	Poland - England	1 - 2
08/09/1999	UEFA EURO	Warsaw (POL)	Poland - England	0 - 0
27/03/1999	UEFA EURO	London (ENG)	England - Poland	3 - 1
31/05/1997	FIFA World Cup	Chorzow (POL)	Poland - England	0 - 2
09/10/1996	FIFA World Cup	London (ENG)	England - Poland	2 - 1
08/09/1993	FIFA World Cup	London (ENG)	England - Poland	3 - 0
29/05/1993	FIFA World Cup	Chorzow (POL)	Poland - England	1 - 1
13/11/1991	UEFA EURO	Poznan (POL)	Poland - England	1 - 1
17/10/1990	UEFA EURO	London (ENG)	England - Poland	2 - 0
11/10/1989	FIFA World Cup	Chorzow (POL)	Poland - England	0 - 0
03/06/1989	FIFA World Cup	London (ENG)	England - Poland	3 - 0
11/06/1986	FIFA World Cup	Monterrey (MEX)	England - Poland	3 - 0
17/10/1973	FIFA World Cup	London (ENG)	England - Poland	1 - 1
06/06/1973	FIFA World Cup	Chorzow (POL)	Poland - England	2 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	2	2	0	6	2
World Cup	13	8	4	1	22	8
Friendlies	2	1	1	0	2	1

- Regular adversaries in qualifying tournaments, England and Poland have only come face to face once previously at a final tournament – at the 1986 FIFA World Cup in Mexico, where a first-half Gary Lineker hat-trick took England into the last 16 with a 3-0 win.
- The first of eight pairings in qualifying competitions came in the 1974 World Cup, Poland reaching the finals at England's expense as Sir Alf Ramsey's side were held 1-1 at home in the final qualifier by a series of spectacular saves from Jan Tomaszewski. The earlier meeting in Chorzow had been won 2-0 by Poland.
- In the 14 matches over seven qualifying campaigns since then, England have won nine and Poland none. The most recent was a 2-0 home success at Wembley, with goals from Wayne Rooney and Steven Gerrard, that secured the Three Lions' qualification for the 2014 World Cup.

**England v Republic of Ireland****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
27/03/1991	UEFA EURO	London (ENG)	England - Republic of Ireland	1 - 1
14/11/1990	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - England	1 - 1
11/06/1990	FIFA World Cup	Cagliari (ITA)	England - Republic of Ireland	1 - 1
12/06/1988	UEFA EURO	Stuttgart (GER)	England - Republic of Ireland	0 - 1
06/02/1980	UEFA EURO	London (ENG)	England - Republic of Ireland	2 - 0
25/10/1978	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - England	1 - 1
19/05/1957	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - England	1 - 1
08/05/1957	FIFA World Cup	London (ENG)	England - Republic of Ireland	5 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	5	1	3	1	5	4
World Cup	3	1	2	0	7	3
Friendlies	7	3	3	1	8	6

- The Republic of Ireland's major tournament debut came against England at the 1988 UEFA European Championship, and it proved memorable as Ray Houghton scored the only goal of the game in Stuttgart. That remains Ireland's only competitive win against England in eight attempts.
- The teams also met at the start of the 1990 FIFA World Cup group stage, drawing 1-1 on a windswept night in Cagliari before two further 1-1 draws on the road to EURO '92. On each occasion, England finished above Ireland to win the group.
- There have also been draws in two recent friendlies – 1-1 at Wembley in May 2013 and 0-0 in Dublin in June 2015 – meaning exactly half of the 16 encounters between the rivals have ended all square. Neither side has managed more than one goal in the fixture since Gary Lineker scored the first of his 48 goals for England in a 2-1 triumph at Wembley in March 1985.
- Most of the Republic of Ireland squad play their club football in the English Premier League.

**England v Romania****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
20/06/2000	UEFA EURO	Charleroi (BEL)	England - Romania	2 - 3
22/06/1998	FIFA World Cup	Toulouse (FRA)	Romania - England	2 - 1
11/09/1985	FIFA World Cup	London (ENG)	England - Romania	1 - 1
01/05/1985	FIFA World Cup	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - England	0 - 0
29/04/1981	FIFA World Cup	London (ENG)	England - Romania	0 - 0
15/10/1980	FIFA World Cup	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - England	2 - 1
02/06/1970	FIFA World Cup	Guadalajara (MEX)	England - Romania	1 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	1	0	0	1	2	3
World Cup	6	1	3	2	4	5
Friendlies	4	1	3	0	4	2

- England defeated Romania in their first competitive encounter – 1-0 at the 1970 FIFA World Cup with a goal from 1966 final hat-trick hero Geoff Hurst – but they have not beaten them in seven matches since.
- Paired together in the qualifying campaigns for the 1982 and 1986 World Cups, England qualified for both tournaments despite not winning home or away to Romania, who, paradoxically, missed the cut on each occasion.
- Romania overcame England with late winning goals in the group stage at successive major tournaments, the 1998

World Cup (2-1) and UEFA EURO 2000 (3-2), progressing to the quarter-finals in the latter at their opponents' expense.

## England v Russia

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
17/10/2007	UEFA EURO	Moscow (RUS)	Russia - England	2 - 1
12/09/2007	UEFA EURO	London (ENG)	England - Russia	3 - 0
18/06/1988	UEFA EURO	Frankfurt am Main (GER)	England - USSR	1 - 3
08/06/1968	UEFA EURO	Rome (ITA)	England - USSR	2 - 0
17/06/1958	FIFA World Cup	Gothenburg (SWE)	USSR - England	1 - 0
08/06/1958	FIFA World Cup	Gothenburg (SWE)	USSR - England	2 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	2	0	2	7	5
World Cup	2	0	1	1	2	3
Friendlies	8	4	3	1	16	9

- Russia got the better of England in qualifying for UEFA EURO 2008, finishing second in the group behind Croatia, who won 3-2 at Wembley in their final qualifier to eliminate Steve McClaren's team.

- In the two direct confrontations England won 3-0 at Wembley thanks to a couple of Michael Owen goals but lost 2-1 in Moscow. Roman Pavlyuchenko scored twice after England had led 1-0, through Wayne Rooney, at half-time.

- The Soviet Union defeated England 3-1 in Frankfurt at EURO '88 to send Bobby Robson's side home with three successive defeats; Valeriy Lobanovskiy's victors went on to reach the final.

## England v Slovakia

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
11/06/2003	UEFA EURO	Middlesbrough (ENG)	England - Slovakia	2 - 1
12/10/2002	UEFA EURO	Bratislava (SVK)	Slovakia - England	1 - 2
20/06/1982	FIFA World Cup	Bilbao (ESP)	England - Czechoslovakia	2 - 0
30/10/1975	UEFA EURO	Bratislava (SVK)	Czechoslovakia - England	2 - 1
30/10/1974	UEFA EURO	London (ENG)	England - Czechoslovakia	3 - 0
11/06/1970	FIFA World Cup	Guadalajara (MEX)	England - Czechoslovakia	1 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	3	0	1	8	4
World Cup	2	2	0	0	3	0
Friendlies	9	5	3	1	22	13

- England overcame Slovakia 2-1 in Bratislava and Middlesbrough en route to qualifying for the UEFA EURO 2004 finals. Those were the first matches between the nations.

- The only subsequent meeting took place at Wembley in March 2009, when England cruised to a 4-0 friendly win with two-goal Wayne Rooney among the scorers.

- England and Slovakia have been paired together in qualifying for the 2018 FIFA World Cup along with Scotland, Slovenia, Lithuania and Malta.

- Slovakia centre-back Martin Škrtel has been at Liverpool since January 2008.

**England v Sweden****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
15/06/2012	UEFA EURO	Kyiv (UKR)	Sweden - England	2 - 3
20/06/2006	FIFA World Cup	Cologne (GER)	Sweden - England	2 - 2
02/06/2002	FIFA World Cup	Saitama (JPN)	England - Sweden	1 - 1
05/06/1999	UEFA EURO	London (ENG)	England - Sweden	0 - 0
05/09/1998	UEFA EURO	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - England	2 - 1
17/06/1992	UEFA EURO	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - England	2 - 1
06/09/1989	FIFA World Cup	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - England	0 - 0
19/10/1988	FIFA World Cup	London (ENG)	England - Sweden	0 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	1	1	2	5	6
World Cup	4	0	4	0	3	3
Friendlies	15	6	4	5	27	22

- England came from behind to beat Sweden 3-2 in Kyiv at UEFA EURO 2012 en route to reaching the quarter-finals. Danny Welbeck scored the winner with a deft close-range flick to give England their first competitive victory against the Swedes in eight attempts.
- Five months later England were invited by Sweden to take part in the inaugural fixture at the new Friends Arena in Solna. Welbeck scored again but the show was stolen by Zlatan Ibrahimović, who scored all four goals – including an outrageous long-range lob – as Sweden triumphed 4-2.
- The teams drew their group stage encounters at the 2002 and 2006 FIFA World Cups; on both occasions each team progressed and England were led by Swedish coach Sven Göran Eriksson.
- Tomas Brodin scored a spectacular late winner to enable Sweden to come from behind and defeat England 2-1 in their final group game at EURO '92, the victory sending the host nation through to the semi-finals and eliminating Graham Taylor's side.
- Swedish internationals Martin Olsson, Sebastian Larsson and Ola Toivonen play their club football in England.

**England v Switzerland****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
08/09/2015	UEFA EURO	London (ENG)	England - Switzerland	2 - 0
08/09/2014	UEFA EURO	Basel (SUI)	Switzerland - England	0 - 2
04/06/2011	UEFA EURO	London (ENG)	England - Switzerland	2 - 2
07/09/2010	UEFA EURO	Basel (SUI)	Switzerland - England	1 - 3
17/06/2004	UEFA EURO	Coimbra (POR)	England - Switzerland	3 - 0
08/06/1996	UEFA EURO	London (ENG)	England - Switzerland	1 - 1
30/05/1981	FIFA World Cup	Basel (SUI)	Switzerland - England	2 - 1
19/11/1980	FIFA World Cup	London (ENG)	England - Switzerland	2 - 1
10/11/1971	UEFA EURO	London (ENG)	England - Switzerland	1 - 1
13/10/1971	UEFA EURO	Basel (SUI)	Switzerland - England	2 - 3
20/06/1954	FIFA World Cup	Berne (SUI)	England - Switzerland	2 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	8	5	3	0	17	7
World Cup	3	2	0	1	5	3
Friendlies	13	9	2	2	34	9

- England defeated Switzerland twice in UEFA EURO 2016 qualifying, winning both matches 2-0. Danny Welbeck scored both goals in Basel and Harry Kane and Wayne Rooney, with his record-breaking 50th international strike, were on target at Wembley.
- The teams met in the opening match of EURO '96, where a late Kubilay Türkyilmaz penalty held the hosts to a 1-1 draw at Wembley following Alan Shearer's opener.
- The only other meeting at a EURO final tournament came in 2004, when England prevailed 3-0 in a group game in Coimbra, 18-year-old Rooney scoring twice.
- England manager Roy Hodgson was the head coach of Switzerland from 1992–95.
- Switzerland regulars Gökhan Inler (Leicester City), Xherdan Shaqiri (Stoke City) and Valon Behrami (Watford) play in the Premier League.

## England v Turkey

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
11/10/2003	UEFA EURO	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - England	0 - 0
02/04/2003	UEFA EURO	Sunderland (ENG)	England - Turkey	2 - 0
31/03/1993	FIFA World Cup	Izmir (TUR)	Turkey - England	0 - 2
18/11/1992	FIFA World Cup	London (ENG)	England - Turkey	4 - 0
16/10/1991	UEFA EURO	London (ENG)	England - Turkey	1 - 0
01/05/1991	UEFA EURO	Izmir (TUR)	Turkey - England	0 - 1
14/10/1987	UEFA EURO	London (ENG)	England - Turkey	8 - 0
29/04/1987	UEFA EURO	Izmir (TUR)	Turkey - England	0 - 0
16/10/1985	FIFA World Cup	London (ENG)	England - Turkey	5 - 0
14/11/1984	FIFA World Cup	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - England	0 - 8

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	6	4	2	0	12	0
World Cup	4	4	0	0	19	0
Friendlies	-	-	-	-	-	-

- In ten fixtures against England – all of them in competitive internationals – Turkey have yet to score a goal. England, by contrast, have found the net 31 times.
- England triumphed 8-0 in the first meeting, a 1986 FIFA World Cup qualifier in Istanbul featuring a hat-trick from Bryan Robson. Gary Lineker also registered three times in the 5-0 return fixture at Wembley and in a second 8-0 win, also in London, in qualification for EURO '88.
- The most recent fixtures between the nations came in UEFA EURO 2004 qualifying, with England prevailing 2-0 in Sunderland before clinching their place in Portugal with a goalless draw in Istanbul – despite a missed David Beckham penalty.

## England v Ukraine

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
10/09/2013	FIFA World Cup	Kyiv (UKR)	Ukraine - England	0 - 0
11/09/2012	FIFA World Cup	London (ENG)	England - Ukraine	1 - 1
19/06/2012	UEFA EURO	Donetsk (UKR)	England - Ukraine	1 - 0
10/10/2009	FIFA World Cup	Dnipropetrovsk (UKR)	Ukraine - England	1 - 0
01/04/2009	FIFA World Cup	London (ENG)	England - Ukraine	2 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	1	1	0	0	1	0
World Cup	4	1	2	1	3	3
Friendlies	2	2	0	0	5	0

- England eliminated co-hosts Ukraine from UEFA EURO 2012 with a 1-0 win in Donetsk, Wayne Rooney scoring from close range shortly after half-time.
- The nations traded home wins in the 2010 FIFA World Cup qualifying competition, but Ukraine's 1-0 victory at the Dnipro Arena was of little consequence to England as they had already qualified for the finals in South Africa.
- Paired again for the 2014 World Cup qualifying campaign, England needed a late Frank Lampard penalty to draw 1-1 at Wembley after Yevhen Konoplyanka's spectacular opener. A 0-0 draw in the Kyiv return proved useful in helping Roy Hodgson's team to qualify for Brazil and send Ukraine into the play-offs, where they lost to France.

## England v Wales

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
06/09/2011	UEFA EURO	London (ENG)	England - Wales	1 - 0
26/03/2011	UEFA EURO	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - England	0 - 2
03/09/2005	FIFA World Cup	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - England	0 - 1
09/10/2004	FIFA World Cup	Manchester (ENG)	England - Wales	2 - 0
24/01/1973	FIFA World Cup	London (ENG)	England - Wales	1 - 1
15/11/1972	FIFA World Cup	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - England	0 - 1
21/10/1967	UEFA EURO	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - England	0 - 3
16/11/1966	UEFA EURO	London (ENG)	England - Wales	5 - 1
10/10/1953	FIFA World Cup	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - England	1 - 4
15/10/1949	FIFA World Cup	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - England	1 - 4

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	4	0	0	11	1
World Cup	6	5	1	0	13	3
Friendlies	91	57	20	14	221	86

- England and Wales, both members of the United Kingdom, have met on 101 occasions, England winning 66 matches and Wales 14.
- Annual opponents in the British Home Championship, which ran for a century until 1984, England and Wales have met just four times in the three decades since.
- England triumphed 2-0 at home and 1-0 away en route to qualifying for the 2006 FIFA World Cup, then 2-0 away and 1-0 at home to assist their qualifying bid for UEFA EURO 2012. Ashley Young was the last player to score in the fixture.
- The majority of players in Chris Coleman's Wales squad ply their trade in England's Premier League or Championship.





## Portugal

### Portugal - Team profile

**Best result:** runners-up 2004

**Coach:** Fernando Santos

**Leading scorers:** all-time – Cristiano Ronaldo (55); current – Cristiano Ronaldo (55)

**Most appearances:** all-time – Luís Figo (127); current – Cristiano Ronaldo (123)

**Association formed:** 1914

**Nickname:** Selecção das Quinas (Team of Shields)

**Where they play:** Various

Portugal ended a lengthy semi-final jinx for UEFA European Championship host nations when they made it through to the Lisbon showpiece in 2004, but defeat by Greece meant they became the only team in the competition's history to lose a final on home turf. Since then, with Cristiano Ronaldo an increasingly potent attacking force, Portugal have reached two semi-finals – at the 2006 FIFA World Cup and UEFA EURO 2012, losing in the latter to Spain on penalties. They have a perfect qualification record for major tournaments since the turn of the millennium, which was extended by a group-topping performance en route to UEFA EURO 2016.

#### EURO pedigree

##### Matches played

**Overall:** P135 W76 D29 L30 F234 A127

**Final tournament:** P28 W15 D5 L8 F40 A26

**Qualifying:** P107 W61 D24 L22 F194 A101

Portugal made their UEFA European Championship finals debut in 1984, and came within six minutes of the Paris showpiece, leading hosts France deep into extra time until Jean-François Domergue and Michel Platini struck to turn the tie. They next qualified for the tournament in 1996 and are one of seven nations to have taken part in the last five EUROs, along with Spain, Germany, Italy, France, Netherlands and the Czech Republic.

Portugal have never failed to advance beyond the group stage, losing semi-finals to eventual winners France in 1984 and 2000, and Spain in 2012. They went one better on home soil at UEFA EURO 2004 before going down 1-0 to Greece, complete outsiders at the start of the tournament, in the Lisbon final.

#### Memorable EURO matches

##### 20/06/2000: Portugal 3-0 Germany, UEFA EURO 2000 group stage

A Sérgio Conceição hat-trick helped Portugal's second string seal the holders' exit.

##### 10/06/2000: Portugal 3-2 England, UEFA EURO 2000 group stage

Trailing 2-0 after 18 minutes, Luís Figo, João Pinto and Nuno Gomes turned the game around.

##### 23/06/1984: France 3-2 Portugal, 1984 UEFA European Championship semi-finals

A thrilling match against the hosts was Portugal's real breakthrough at the EURO finals.

#### Did you know?

Portugal were the last team to receive the FIFA World Cup Most Entertaining Team award for their performance at the 2006 finals in Germany.

\*Last updated on 18/11/15

## Portugal - Coach profile

### Fernando Santos

**Date of birth:** 10 October 1954

**Nationality:** Portuguese

**Playing career:** SL Benfica, CS Marítimo, Estoril Praia

**Coaching career:** Estoril Praia, CF Estrela da Amadora, FC Porto, AEK Athens FC (twice), Panathinaikos FC, Sporting Clube de Portugal, SL Benfica, PAOK FC, Greece, Portugal

- A left-back, Santos started his playing days at home-town club Benfica before two-year stints with Marítimo and Estoril-Praia. Retired in 1975.
- After a career change as a technician – Santos holds a degree in electrical and telecommunications engineering – he returned to football in 1987, taking over at former team Estoril-Praia. Stayed seven years, guiding them to two promotions and the Portuguese top flight.
- Had four seasons with Estrela da Amadora prior to joining Porto in 1998. Led his side to the Liga title in his first term, adding two domestic cups before departing for AEK in 2001. Again made an instant impact, lifting the 2002 Greek Cup. Went to Panathinaikos that summer followed by spells at Sporting, AEK and Benfica.
- He then revived PAOK's fortunes, steering them to runners-up spot in the 2009/10 Super League to earn a place in the UEFA Champions League third qualifying round. Announced his departure in May 2010 and was confirmed as Otto Rehhagel's successor as Greece coach six weeks later, proving an immediate hit as he helped them to UEFA EURO 2012.
- Repeated the feat for the 2014 FIFA World Cup, guiding them to the last 16, before stepping down. He was appointed by Portugal that September after Paulo Bento's departure following a 1-0 defeat by Albania and led them to UEFA EURO 2016 thanks to seven successive victories.

## Portugal - Team facts

### EURO record

	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
Overall	135	76	29	30	234	127
Final tournament	28	15	5	8	40	26
Qualifying	107	61	24	22	194	101

### UEFA European Championship records: Portugal

#### History

2012 – semi-finals  
 2008 – quarter-finals  
 2004 – runners-up  
 2000 – semi-finals  
 1996 – quarter-finals  
 1992 – did not qualify  
 1988 – did not qualify  
 1984 – semi-finals  
 1980 – did not qualify  
 1976 – did not qualify  
 1972 – did not qualify  
 1968 – did not qualify  
 1964 – did not qualify  
 1960 – did not qualify

#### Final tournament win

**3-0:** Portugal v Germany, 20/06/00

**0-3:** Croatia v Portugal, 19/06/96

#### Final tournament loss

**2-0:** Switzerland v Portugal, 15/06/08

#### Qualifying win

**8-0:** Portugal v Liechtenstein, 09/06/99

**8-0:** Portugal v Liechtenstein, 18/12/94

#### Qualifying loss

**5-0:** USSR v Portugal, 27/04/83

**5-0:** Czechoslovakia v Portugal, 30/04/75

#### Final tournament appearances

**14:** Luís Figo

**14:** Nuno Gomes

**14:** Cristiano Ronaldo

**12:** Fernando Couto

**12:** Rui Costa

#### Final tournament goals

**6:** Nuno Gomes

**6:** Cristiano Ronaldo

**3:** Sérgio Conceição

**3:** Hélder Postiga

#### Overall appearances

**41:** Cristiano Ronaldo

**35:** Nani

**34:** Luís Figo

**33:** Vítor Baía

**32:** Rui Costa

**31:** João Moutinho

**29:** Fernando Couto

**28:** Nuno Gomes

**26:** Ricardo Carvalho

**Overall goals****26:** Cristiano Ronaldo**14:** João Pinto**12:** Rui Costa**9:** Hélder Postiga**9:** Nuno Gomes**UEFA EURO and FIFA World Cup campaigns**

Season	Competition	Result	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
2016	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group	8	7	0	1	11	5
2014	World Cup qualifying	Play-off for Final Tournament (qualified)	12	8	3	1	24	11
2012	EURO finals	Semi-finals	5	3	1	1	6	4
2012	EURO qualifying	Play-off for Final Tournament (qualified)	10	6	2	2	27	14
2010	World Cup finals	Round of 16	4	1	2	1	7	1
2010	World Cup qualifying	Play-off for Final Tournament (qualified)	12	7	4	1	19	5
2008	EURO finals	Quarter-finals	4	2	0	2	7	6
2008	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group (qualified)	14	7	6	1	24	10
2006	World Cup finals	4th place	7	4	1	2	7	5
2006	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	12	9	3	0	35	5
2004	EURO finals	Final	6	3	1	2	8	6
2002	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	3	1	0	2	6	4
2002	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	10	7	3	0	33	7
2000	EURO finals	Semi-finals	5	4	0	1	10	4
2000	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 2nd in group (qualified)	10	7	2	1	32	4
1998	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	10	5	4	1	12	4
1996	EURO finals	Quarter-finals	4	2	1	1	5	2
1996	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 1st in group (qualified)	10	7	2	1	29	7
1994	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	10	6	2	2	18	5
1992	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 2nd in group	8	5	1	2	11	4
1990	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	8	4	2	2	11	8
1988	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 3rd in group	8	2	4	2	6	8
1986	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 4th in group	3	1	0	2	2	4
1986	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group (qualified)	8	5	0	3	12	10
1984	EURO finals	Semi-finals	4	1	2	1	4	4
1984	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 1st in group (qualified)	6	5	0	1	11	6
1982	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 4th in group	8	3	1	4	8	11
1980	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 3rd in group	8	4	1	3	10	11
1978	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	6	4	1	1	12	6
1976	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 3rd in group	6	2	3	1	5	7
1974	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	6	2	3	1	10	6
1972	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 2nd in group	6	3	1	2	10	6
1970	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 4th in group	6	1	2	3	8	10
1968	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 2nd in group	6	2	2	2	6	6
1966	World Cup finals	3rd place	6	5	0	1	17	8
1966	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	6	4	1	1	9	4
1964	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round	3	1	0	2	4	5
1962	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	4	1	1	2	9	7
1960	EURO qualifying	Quarter-finals	4	3	0	1	8	8

**UEFA EURO and FIFA World Cup campaigns**

1958	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	4	1	1	2	4	7
1954	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	2	0	1	1	1	9
1950	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	2	0	1	1	3	7
1938	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	1	0	0	1	1	2
1934	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	2	0	0	2	1	11

## Portugal - Head to head against teams in other pots

### Portugal v Albania

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
07/09/2015	UEFA EURO	Elbasan (ALB)	Albania - Portugal	0 - 1
07/09/2014	UEFA EURO	Aveiro (POR)	Portugal - Albania	0 - 1
06/06/2009	FIFA World Cup	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Portugal	1 - 2
15/10/2008	FIFA World Cup	Braga (POR)	Portugal - Albania	0 - 0
07/06/1997	FIFA World Cup	Porto (POR)	Portugal - Albania	2 - 0
09/10/1996	FIFA World Cup	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Portugal	0 - 3

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	1	0	1	1	1
World Cup	4	3	1	0	7	1
Friendlies	1	1	0	0	5	3

- Portugal and Albania progressed together from UEFA EURO 2016 qualifying Group I, both teams defeating each other 1-0 away.
- Albania opened the section with a shock victory in Aveiro thanks to Bekim Balaj's spectacular volley. A year to the day later it was Portugal who prevailed, midfielder Miguel Veloso scoring an added-time winner in Elbasan.
- Portugal captain Cristiano Ronaldo is yet to score in four matches against Albania, though he has never been on the losing side; he missed the opening UEFA EURO 2016 qualifying defeat through injury.

### Portugal v Austria

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
11/10/1995	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Portugal	1 - 1
13/11/1994	UEFA EURO	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Austria	1 - 0
21/11/1979	UEFA EURO	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Austria	1 - 2
15/11/1978	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Portugal	1 - 2
29/11/1953	FIFA World Cup	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Austria	0 - 0
26/09/1953	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Portugal	9 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	2	1	1	5	4
World Cup	2	0	1	1	1	9
Friendlies	4	0	3	1	5	6

- The nations have not met for 21 years – since qualifying for EURO '96.
- Then, Portugal's Luís Figo scored the only goal in Lisbon. The return fixture in Vienna ended 1-1, full-back Paulinho Santos's spectacular equaliser effectively securing Portugal's place at the finals in England and ending a ten-year absence from major tournaments.
- In qualifying for the 1954 FIFA World Cup, Austria defeated Portugal 9-1 in Vienna. Erich Probst marked his competitive international debut by scoring five of the goals.

**Portugal v Croatia****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
19/06/1996	UEFA EURO	Nottingham (ENG)	Croatia - Portugal	0 - 3

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	1	1	0	0	3	0
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	2	2	0	0	3	0

- Croatia have failed to score in their three matches against Portugal – all of them defeats.
- Portugal triumphed 3-0 at EURO '96 in the countries' first meeting. It was the final group game and Croatia, who had already qualified for the quarter-finals by winning their opening two fixtures, fielded an understrength team.
- The two subsequent friendlies have also been won by Portugal – 2-0 in Coimbra in November 2005 and 1-0 in neutral Geneva in June 2013, when Cristiano Ronaldo scored the winner.

**Portugal v Czech Republic****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
21/06/2012	UEFA EURO	Warsaw (POL)	Czech Republic - Portugal	0 - 1
11/06/2008	UEFA EURO	Geneva (SUI)	Czech Republic - Portugal	1 - 3
23/06/1996	UEFA EURO	Birmingham (ENG)	Czech Republic - Portugal	1 - 0
15/11/1989	FIFA World Cup	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Czechoslovakia	0 - 0
06/10/1989	FIFA World Cup	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Portugal	2 - 1
25/09/1985	FIFA World Cup	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Portugal	1 - 0
14/10/1984	FIFA World Cup	Porto (POR)	Portugal - Czechoslovakia	2 - 1
12/11/1975	UEFA EURO	Porto (POR)	Portugal - Czechoslovakia	1 - 1
30/04/1975	UEFA EURO	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Portugal	5 - 0
31/10/1965	FIFA World Cup	Porto (POR)	Portugal - Czechoslovakia	0 - 0
25/04/1965	FIFA World Cup	Bratislava (SVK)	Czechoslovakia - Portugal	0 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	5	2	1	2	5	8
World Cup	6	2	2	2	4	4
Friendlies	1	1	0	0	1	0

- The two countries have crossed paths at each of the last two UEFA European Championship final tournaments, with Portugal emerging triumphant on both occasions. In 2008 they won 3-1 in Geneva, Cristiano Ronaldo hitting the second goal, and he was also the match winner in 2012, scoring the only goal of the Warsaw quarter-final 11 minutes from time.
- The teams' first – and only other – meeting was also at the EURO finals, Karel Poborský's improvised lob deciding the 1996 quarter-final at Villa Park.
- The Czechoslovakia team that won the 1976 UEFA European Championship beat Portugal 5-0 at home in the qualifying round, Zdeněk Nehoda scoring two of the goals.



## Portugal v Hungary

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
10/10/2009	FIFA World Cup	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Hungary	3 - 0
09/09/2009	FIFA World Cup	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - Portugal	0 - 1
09/10/1999	UEFA EURO	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Hungary	3 - 0
06/09/1998	UEFA EURO	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - Portugal	1 - 3
13/07/1966	FIFA World Cup	Manchester (ENG)	Portugal - Hungary	3 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	2	0	0	6	1
World Cup	3	3	0	0	7	1
Friendlies	5	2	3	0	10	5

- Portugal boast a formidable record against Hungary. They have not lost to them in ten meetings and have won all five of the nations' competitive fixtures.
- The only final tournament encounter came at the 1966 FIFA World Cup, Portugal defeating Hungary 3-1 at Old Trafford in their opening game. Both teams qualified from the group, a Eusébio-inspired Portugal taking third place.
- Portugal breached the Hungary defence three times in both qualifiers for UEFA EURO 2000, the second victory taking them into the finals as the best runners-up. A decade later a Pepe goal gave the Iberians a 1-0 victory in Budapest, with Simão Sabrosa scoring twice in the Lisbon return (3-0) as Portugal qualified for the World Cup in South Africa.
- The teams have been drawn together in qualifying for the 2018 World Cup.

## Portugal v Iceland

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
07/10/2011	UEFA EURO	Porto (POR)	Portugal - Iceland	5 - 3
12/10/2010	UEFA EURO	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Portugal	1 - 3

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	2	0	0	8	4
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	-	-	-	-	-	-

- Iceland and Portugal had never met until they were drawn together in qualifying for UEFA EURO 2012.
- Portugal won both matches, Cristiano Ronaldo leading the way in a 3-1 victory in Reykjavik and Nani scoring twice in a 5-3 triumph in the Porto return.
- Portugal striker Éder and Iceland midfielder Gylfi Sigurdsson are team-mates at Swansea City.

## Portugal v Italy

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
17/11/1993	FIFA World Cup	Milan (ITA)	Italy - Portugal	1 - 0
24/02/1993	FIFA World Cup	Porto (POR)	Portugal - Italy	1 - 3
05/12/1987	UEFA EURO	Milan (ITA)	Italy - Portugal	3 - 0
14/02/1987	UEFA EURO	Oeiras (POR)	Portugal - Italy	0 - 1
22/12/1957	FIFA World Cup	Milan (ITA)	Italy - Portugal	3 - 0
26/05/1957	FIFA World Cup	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Italy	3 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	0	0	2	0	4
World Cup	4	1	0	3	4	7
Friendlies	19	4	2	13	18	40

- Portugal ended an 11-match, 39-year winless streak against Italy in June 2015 when they overcame the Azzurri 1-0 in a Geneva friendly with a goal from Éder.
- That unbeaten run for Italy incorporated the qualifying competition for EURO '88, in which Azeglio Vicini's side defeated Portugal 1-0 away and 3-0 at home.
- In November 1993 the sides met in a FIFA World Cup qualifier when victory for either would send them through to the finals at their opponents' expense. Italy's Dino Baggio scored the only goal in what was the last competitive encounter between the teams.

## Portugal v Northern Ireland

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
06/09/2013	FIFA World Cup	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Portugal	2 - 4
16/10/2012	FIFA World Cup	Porto (POR)	Portugal - Northern Ireland	1 - 1
11/10/1997	FIFA World Cup	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Northern Ireland	1 - 0
29/03/1997	FIFA World Cup	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Portugal	0 - 0
03/09/1995	UEFA EURO	Porto (POR)	Portugal - Northern Ireland	1 - 1
07/09/1994	UEFA EURO	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Portugal	1 - 2
29/04/1981	FIFA World Cup	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Portugal	1 - 0
19/11/1980	FIFA World Cup	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Northern Ireland	1 - 0
14/11/1973	FIFA World Cup	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Northern Ireland	1 - 1
28/03/1973	FIFA World Cup	Coventry (ENG)	Northern Ireland - Portugal	1 - 1
01/05/1957	FIFA World Cup	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Portugal	3 - 0
16/01/1957	FIFA World Cup	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Northern Ireland	1 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	1	1	0	3	2
World Cup	10	3	5	2	10	10
Friendlies	1	0	1	0	1	1

- Seven of the 13 internationals played between Northern Ireland and Portugal have been draws, including four of the six games staged in Portugal, where the home side have never scored more than once in any game. The teams have never met at a final tournament.
- There was a familiar outcome to the first of the nations' two 2014 FIFA World Cup qualifiers as Northern Ireland held Portugal to a 1-1 draw in Lisbon. The return in Belfast was dominated by Cristiano Ronaldo, who scored a second-half hat-trick to give his team a 4-2 win after they had trailed 2-1.

- Northern Ireland captain Steven Davis is a Southampton team-mate of Portugal defenders Cédric and José Fonte.

## Portugal v Poland

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
08/09/2007	UEFA EURO	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Poland	2 - 2
11/10/2006	UEFA EURO	Chorzow (POL)	Poland - Portugal	2 - 1
10/06/2002	FIFA World Cup	Jeonju (KOR)	Portugal - Poland	4 - 0
07/06/1986	FIFA World Cup	Monterrey (MEX)	Poland - Portugal	1 - 0
28/10/1983	UEFA EURO	Wroclaw (POL)	Poland - Portugal	0 - 1
10/10/1982	UEFA EURO	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Poland	2 - 1
29/10/1977	FIFA World Cup	Chorzow (POL)	Poland - Portugal	1 - 1
16/10/1976	FIFA World Cup	Porto (POR)	Portugal - Poland	0 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	2	1	1	6	5
World Cup	4	1	1	2	5	4
Friendlies	2	1	1	0	2	0

- Poland and Portugal qualified for UEFA EURO 2008 from the same group. Poland had the better of the head-to-head fixtures, winning 2-1 at home and drawing 2-2 away, and eventually topped the section.
- Euzebiusz Smolarek scored both of Poland's goals in Chorzow. He was named after Eusébio by his father Włodzimierz Smolarek, who got Poland's winning goal against Portugal at the 1986 FIFA World Cup. No other Polish player scored against Portugal in the intervening 20 years.
- Pauleta scored a hat-trick when Portugal last defeated Poland, 4-0 at the 2002 World Cup in Jeonju, South Korea. The most recent fixture was a goalless Warsaw friendly in February 2012.

## Portugal v Republic of Ireland

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
02/06/2001	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Portugal	1 - 1
07/10/2000	FIFA World Cup	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Republic of Ireland	1 - 1
15/11/1995	UEFA EURO	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Republic of Ireland	3 - 0
26/04/1995	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Portugal	1 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	1	0	1	3	1
World Cup	2	0	2	0	2	2
Friendlies	9	6	0	3	15	7

- It is over 20 years since the nations last crossed swords in the UEFA European Championship. In November 1995 Portugal defeated the Republic of Ireland 3-0 in Lisbon – with the help of a stunning long-range chip from Rui Costa – to qualify for EURO '96.
- The teams traded 1-1 draws in qualifying for the 2002 FIFA World Cup, both progressing to the finals. Ireland went through via a play-off after Portugal had pipped Mick McCarthy's side to top spot on goal difference.
- Martin O'Neill was in charge when the nations last met, in June 2014. Portugal ran out emphatic 5-1 winners in a New Jersey friendly, Hugo Almeida scoring twice.

**Portugal v Romania****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
17/06/2000	UEFA EURO	Arnhem (NED)	Romania - Portugal	0 - 1
08/09/1999	UEFA EURO	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Portugal	1 - 1
10/10/1998	UEFA EURO	Porto (POR)	Portugal - Romania	0 - 1
20/06/1984	UEFA EURO	Nantes (FRA)	Portugal - Romania	1 - 0
12/10/1969	FIFA World Cup	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Portugal	1 - 0
27/10/1968	FIFA World Cup	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Romania	3 - 0
21/11/1965	FIFA World Cup	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Portugal	2 - 0
13/06/1965	FIFA World Cup	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Romania	2 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	2	1	1	3	2
World Cup	4	2	0	2	5	4
Friendlies	3	1	1	1	3	3

- The countries have met twice at UEFA European Championship final tournaments, Portugal winning 1-0 on each occasion en route to reaching the knockout phase.
- Nené struck the 81st-minute winner in Nantes at EURO '84. Costinha's 90th-minute goal won the UEFA EURO 2000 match-up in Arnhem, when Romania also progressed to the quarter-finals alongside their opponents.
- The teams had qualified together for the 2000 finals, Romania's Dorinel Munteanu scoring a late winner in Porto before goals from Gheorghe Hagi and Luís Figo ensured a 1-1 draw in Bucharest. Romania won the group, Portugal also qualifying automatically for the finals as the best runners-up.

**Portugal v Russia****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
07/06/2013	FIFA World Cup	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Russia	1 - 0
12/10/2012	FIFA World Cup	Moscow (RUS)	Russia - Portugal	1 - 0
07/09/2005	FIFA World Cup	Moscow (RUS)	Russia - Portugal	0 - 0
13/10/2004	FIFA World Cup	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Russia	7 - 1
16/06/2004	UEFA EURO	Lisbon (POR)	Russia - Portugal	0 - 2
13/11/1983	UEFA EURO	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - USSR	1 - 0
27/04/1983	UEFA EURO	Moscow (RUS)	USSR - Portugal	5 - 0
28/07/1966	FIFA World Cup	London (ENG)	Portugal - USSR	2 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	3	2	0	1	3	5
World Cup	5	3	1	1	10	3
Friendlies	2	1	0	1	1	1

- Portugal won 2-0 when these sides met for the first time at UEFA EURO 2004. Maniche's first international goal and a late Rui Costa strike sealed group stage elimination for a Russia side who had goalkeeper Sergei Ovchinnikov sent off.
- Four months later Cristiano Ronaldo struck twice as Portugal defeated Russia 7-1 in a FIFA World Cup qualifier in Lisbon. That remains Russia's heaviest defeat.
- Both teams won their home fixture 1-0 in 2014 World Cup qualifying, Aleksandr Kerzhakov scoring in Moscow and Hélder Postiga in Lisbon. A November 2015 friendly had the same outcome, Russia's Roman Shirokov providing the only goal in the 89th minute in Krasnodar.

- Portugal internationals Danny and Luís Neto are club colleagues of several Russian internationals at Zenit.

## Portugal v Slovakia

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
04/06/2005	FIFA World Cup	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Slovakia	2 - 0
30/03/2005	FIFA World Cup	Bratislava (SVK)	Slovakia - Portugal	1 - 1
05/06/1999	UEFA EURO	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Slovakia	1 - 0
14/10/1998	UEFA EURO	Bratislava (SVK)	Slovakia - Portugal	0 - 3
15/11/1989	FIFA World Cup	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Czechoslovakia	0 - 0
06/10/1989	FIFA World Cup	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Portugal	2 - 1
25/09/1985	FIFA World Cup	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Portugal	1 - 0
14/10/1984	FIFA World Cup	Porto (POR)	Portugal - Czechoslovakia	2 - 1
12/11/1975	UEFA EURO	Porto (POR)	Portugal - Czechoslovakia	1 - 1
30/04/1975	UEFA EURO	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Portugal	5 - 0
31/10/1965	FIFA World Cup	Porto (POR)	Portugal - Czechoslovakia	0 - 0
25/04/1965	FIFA World Cup	Bratislava (SVK)	Czechoslovakia - Portugal	0 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	2	1	1	5	6
World Cup	8	3	3	2	7	5
Friendlies	1	1	0	0	1	0

- Portugal are unbeaten in four matches against Slovakia, winning three.
- Portugal did the double over Slovakia in qualifying for UEFA EURO 2000, winning 3-0 in Bratislava and 1-0 in Lisbon.
- Slovakia earned a 1-1 home draw in the 2006 FIFA World Cup qualifiers but lost the Lisbon return 2-0 in Lisbon, Cristiano Ronaldo scoring Portugal's second goal.

## Portugal v Sweden

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
19/11/2013	FIFA World Cup	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Portugal	2 - 3 (agg: 2-4)
15/11/2013	FIFA World Cup	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Sweden	1 - 0
28/03/2009	FIFA World Cup	Porto (POR)	Portugal - Sweden	0 - 0
11/10/2008	FIFA World Cup	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Portugal	0 - 0
23/09/1987	UEFA EURO	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Portugal	0 - 1
12/10/1986	UEFA EURO	Oeiras (POR)	Portugal - Sweden	1 - 1
14/11/1984	FIFA World Cup	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Sweden	1 - 3
12/09/1984	FIFA World Cup	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Portugal	0 - 1
14/10/1981	FIFA World Cup	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Sweden	1 - 2
24/06/1981	FIFA World Cup	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Portugal	3 - 0
01/06/1967	UEFA EURO	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Portugal	1 - 1
13/11/1966	UEFA EURO	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Sweden	1 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	1	2	1	4	4
World Cup	8	3	2	3	7	10
Friendlies	5	1	2	2	7	12

- Portugal qualified at Sweden's expense for the 2014 FIFA World Cup, Cristiano Ronaldo scoring all four goals – including a second-leg hat-trick in Solna – in his country's 4-2 aggregate play-off triumph. Zlatan Ibrahimović's two goals for Sweden proved in vain.
- The two group encounters between the nations in 2010 World Cup qualifying both ended goalless.
- The nations have met 17 times in all, with Portugal winning five, Sweden six and six draws.

## Portugal v Switzerland

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
15/06/2008	UEFA EURO	Basel (SUI)	Switzerland - Portugal	2 - 0
13/10/1993	FIFA World Cup	Porto (POR)	Portugal - Switzerland	1 - 0
31/03/1993	FIFA World Cup	Berne (SUI)	Switzerland - Portugal	1 - 1
20/09/1989	FIFA World Cup	Neuchatel (SUI)	Switzerland - Portugal	1 - 2
26/04/1989	FIFA World Cup	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Switzerland	3 - 1
11/11/1987	UEFA EURO	Porto (POR)	Portugal - Switzerland	0 - 0
29/10/1986	UEFA EURO	Berne (SUI)	Switzerland - Portugal	1 - 1
02/11/1969	FIFA World Cup	Berne (SUI)	Switzerland - Portugal	1 - 1
16/04/1969	FIFA World Cup	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Switzerland	0 - 2
01/05/1938	FIFA World Cup	Milan (ITA)	Switzerland - Portugal	2 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	3	0	2	1	1	3
World Cup	7	3	2	2	9	8
Friendlies	10	3	1	6	15	19

- Co-hosts Switzerland defeated Portugal 2-0 at UEFA EURO 2008 with a Hakan Yakin double, although Switzerland were already eliminated and Portugal already through to the quarter-finals.
- That game in Basel, which brought the teams together for the first time in 15 years, remains their only final tournament encounter.
- Despite getting the better of Switzerland in qualifying for the 1990 and 1994 World Cups, Portugal failed to reach the finals of either tournament. The nations will meet again in 2018 qualifying.

## Portugal v Turkey

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
07/06/2008	UEFA EURO	Geneva (SUI)	Portugal - Turkey	2 - 0
24/06/2000	UEFA EURO	Amsterdam (NED)	Turkey - Portugal	0 - 2
14/06/1996	UEFA EURO	Nottingham (ENG)	Portugal - Turkey	1 - 0
19/04/1965	FIFA World Cup	Ankara (TUR)	Turkey - Portugal	0 - 1
24/01/1965	FIFA World Cup	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Turkey	5 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	3	3	0	0	5	0
World Cup	2	2	0	0	6	1
Friendlies	3	1	0	2	5	7

- Turkey have met Portugal in each of their three EURO finals appearances, losing each time without scoring – in 1996, 2000 and 2008. Nuno Gomes scored both goals for Portugal in the only knockout fixture of the three, the UEFA EURO 2000 quarter-final in which Turkey had a player sent off and missed a penalty.
- Turkey won the first meeting of the two countries, 3-1 in Istanbul in 1955, but lost the next six fixtures until a June

2012 friendly in Lisbon, where Umut Bulut scored twice to help his team to another 3-1 victory. The sides have not met since.

- Long-serving Portugal internationals Bruno Alves and Nani both play in Turkey for Fenerbahçe while Ricardo Quaresma is at Istanbul rivals Beşiktaş.

### Portugal v Ukraine

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
09/11/1996	FIFA World Cup	Porto (POR)	Portugal - Ukraine	1 - 0
05/10/1996	FIFA World Cup	Kyiv (UKR)	Ukraine - Portugal	2 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	2	1	0	1	2	2
Friendlies	-	-	-	-	-	-

- The countries' only two meetings took place in qualifying for the 1998 FIFA World Cup.
- Ukraine won the first fixture 2-1 in Kyiv thanks to goals from Serhiy Popov and Olexandr Maxymov, with Portugal victorious a month later in Porto courtesy of Fernando Couto's strike. Neither team qualified for the finals in France as Germany topped the group.
- Portugal midfielder Miguel Veloso plays alongside a number of Ukraine internationals at Dynamo Kyiv.

### Portugal v Wales

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	3	2	0	1	7	4

- Portugal and Wales have never met in a competitive international.
- All three friendlies have been won by the home side, Portugal prevailing 3-0 in the only one of recent vintage – a UEFA EURO 2000 warm-up fixture in Chaves.
- The teams' respective talismen, Cristiano Ronaldo and Gareth Bale, play together at Real Madrid, where Pepe also plies his trade. Portugal striker Éder plays his club football in Wales with Swansea City.

## Belgium

### Belgium - Team profile

**Best result:** runners-up 1980

**Coach:** Marc Wilmots

**Leading scorers:** all-time – Bernard Voorhoof, Paul Van Himst (30); current – Marouane Fellaini (15)

**Most appearances:** all-time – Jan Ceulemans (96); current – Jan Vertonghen (76)

**Association formed:** 1895

**Nickname:** Rode Duivels/Diables Rouges (Red Devils)

**Where they play:** Stade Roi Baudouin, Brussels

Belgium ended a 12-year absence from major tournaments with an impressive qualification for the 2014 FIFA World Cup, their surge up the FIFA rankings earning them seeded status for the finals draw, where they reached the last eight. The good times continued for Marc Wilmots' star-studded side as they topped their UEFA EURO 2016 qualifying section. In France they will hope to match, or perhaps even better, the achievements of previous Red Devils selections. Highlights include a runners-up spot at EURO '80 and fourth place at the 1986 World Cup.

#### EURO pedigree

##### Matches played

**Overall:** P116 W53 D28 L35 F183 A132

**Final tournament:** P12 W4 D2 L6 F13 A20

**Qualifying:** P104 W49 D26 L29 F170 A112

Belgium are now firmly back among Europe's elite having ended a three-decade wait to qualify for the UEFA European Championship, in which they were regulars during the 1970s and early 1980s. They finished third on home soil in 1972 and eight years later went one step closer to lifting the trophy, losing the Rome final 2-1 to a late West Germany goal.

Since then the Red Devils have only managed two more group stage appearances, in 1984 and in 2000, when they were the tournament co-hosts, but failed to progress on both occasions. UEFA EURO 2012 qualifying came too early for Belgium's new wave, Georges Leekens' side never recovering from defeats in their first two Group A games as they finished third, two points shy of Turkey and a play-off spot. Now, though, they are four years older.

#### Memorable EURO matches

##### 22/06/80: Belgium 1-2 West Germany, 1980 UEFA European Championship final

René Vandereycken's penalty made it 1-1 but Horst Hrubesch's second of the game (88) was decisive.

##### 17/06/72: Hungary 1-2 Belgium, 1972 UEFA European Championship third-place play-off

Goals from Raoul Lambert and Paul Van Himst in Liege sealed third in Belgium's first finals.

##### 13/05/72: Belgium 2-1 Italy, 1972 UEFA European Championship quarter-finals

Van Himst struck as Belgium booked a finals spot at holders Italy's expense after a first-leg draw.

#### Did you know?

Belgium were the only qualifiers for the 1984 UEFA European Championship to win their qualifying group by more than one point; eventual runners-up Spain advanced on goals scored.

\*Last updated on 18/11/15



## Belgium - Coach profile

### Marc Wilmots

**Date of birth:** 22 February 1969

**Nationality:** Belgian

**Playing career:** K. Sint-Truidense VV, KV Mechelen, R. Standard de Liège, FC Schalke 04 (twice), FC Girondins de Bordeaux

**Coaching career:** FC Schalke 04, K. Sint-Truidense VV, Belgium

- Started out at Sint-Truiden in 1985 and joined Mechelen in 1988, appearing as a substitute in the first leg of that year's UEFA Super Cup as the Belgian side defeated PSV Eindhoven. A forward before later moving into midfield, Wilmots helped Mechelen clinch the Belgian title in 1988/89 ahead of a switch to Standard, where he lifted the Belgian Cup in 1993.
- Signed for Schalke after five years with Standard, scoring the winner in the first leg of the 1997 UEFA Cup final against FC Internazionale Milano and then converting the decisive spot kick in the second-leg shoot-out. Wilmots ended his career with Schalke – picking up the German Cup in 2002 – after a short stint at Bordeaux.
- Notched 28 goals in 70 outings for Belgium, including two at the 1998 FIFA World Cup and three in South Korea/Japan in 2002; he also featured at the 1994 World Cup and UEFA EURO 2000.
- Took over as Schalke coach after retiring in 2003 but left the post soon afterwards to pursue a career in politics. Serving as a senator in his native Belgium, he then briefly held the reins at Sint-Truiden from 2004 to 2005.
- Returned to the dugout in 2009 as assistant to Belgium boss Dick Advocaat, and later Georges Leekens, before his own nomination as head coach in May 2012. Steered his country to the 2014 World Cup in his first qualifying campaign, Belgium going on to reach the quarter-finals in Brazil, and then took them to UEFA EURO 2016.

## Belgium - Team facts

### EURO record

	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
Overall	116	53	28	35	183	132
Final tournament	12	4	2	6	13	20
Qualifying	104	49	26	29	170	112

### UEFA European Championship records: Belgium

#### History

2012 – did not qualify  
 2008 – did not qualify  
 2004 ♦♦ did not qualify  
 2000 – group stage  
 1996 – did not qualify  
 1992 – did not qualify  
 1988 – did not qualify  
 1984 – group stage  
 1980 – runners-up  
 1976 – did not qualify  
 1972 – third  
 1968 – did not qualify  
 1964 – did not qualify  
 1960 – did not participate

#### Final tournament win

**2-0:** Belgium v Yugoslavia, 13/06/84

#### Final tournament loss

**5-0:** France v Belgium, 16/06/84

#### Qualifying win

**6-0:** Belgium v Andorra, 10/10/14  
**0-6:** Luxembourg v Belgium, 14/10/86

#### Qualifying loss

**5-0:** Netherlands v Belgium, 25/04/76

#### Final tournament appearances

**7:** Jan Ceulemans  
**7:** Jean-Marie Pfaff  
**7:** René Vandereycken  
**6:** Erwin Vandenberg

#### Final tournament goals

**2:** Jan Ceulemans  
**1:** 11 players

#### Overall appearances

**29:** Timmy Simons  
**27:** Eric Gerets  
**26:** Jan Ceulemans  
**25:** Jan Vertonghen  
**23:** Jean-Marie Pfaff  
**22:** Daniel Van Buyten  
**22:** François Van Der Elst  
**22:** Bart Goor  
**22:** Vincent Kompany

#### Overall goals

**9:** François Van Der Elst  
**8:** Paul Van Himst  
**7:** Nico Claesen  
**7:** Marc Degryse

7: Marouane Fellaini  
 7: Erwin Vandenberg  
 6: Jan Ceulemans  
 6: Johan Devrindt  
 6: Wesley Sonck  
 6: Eden Hazard

## UEFA EURO and FIFA World Cup campaigns

Season	Competition	Result	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
2016	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group	10	7	2	1	24	5
2014	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	10	8	2	0	18	4
2012	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	10	4	3	3	21	15
2010	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 4th in group	10	3	1	6	13	20
2008	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 5th in group	14	5	3	6	14	16
2006	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 4th in group	10	3	3	4	16	11
2004	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	8	5	1	2	11	9
2002	World Cup finals	Round of 16	4	1	2	1	6	7
2002	World Cup qualifying	Play-off for Final Tournament (qualified)	10	7	2	1	27	6
2000	EURO finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	3	1	0	2	2	5
1998	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	3	0	3	0	3	3
1998	World Cup qualifying	Play-off for Final Tournament (qualified)	10	7	1	2	23	13
1996	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 3rd in group	10	4	3	3	17	13
1994	World Cup finals	Round of 16	4	2	0	2	4	4
1994	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group (qualified)	10	7	1	2	16	5
1992	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 3rd in group	6	2	1	3	7	6
1990	World Cup finals	Round of 16	4	2	0	2	6	4
1990	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	8	4	4	0	15	5
1988	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 3rd in group	8	3	3	2	16	8
1986	World Cup finals	4th place	7	2	2	3	12	15
1986	World Cup qualifying	Play-off for Final Tournament (qualified)	8	4	2	2	9	5
1984	EURO finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	3	1	0	2	4	8
1984	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 1st in group (qualified)	6	4	1	1	12	8
1982	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	5	2	1	2	3	5
1982	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	8	5	1	2	12	9
1980	EURO finals	Final	4	1	2	1	4	4
1980	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 1st in group (qualified)	8	4	4	0	12	5
1978	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	6	3	0	3	7	6
1976	EURO qualifying	Quarter-finals	8	3	2	3	7	10
1974	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	6	4	2	0	12	0
1972	EURO finals	3rd place	2	1	0	1	3	3
1972	EURO qualifying	Quarter-finals (qualified)	8	5	2	1	13	4
1970	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	3	1	0	2	4	5
1970	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	6	4	1	1	14	8
1968	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 2nd in group	6	3	1	2	14	9
1966	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	5	3	0	2	12	5
1964	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round	2	0	0	2	2	4
1962	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	4	0	0	4	3	10
1958	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	4	2	1	1	16	11

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1954	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 4th in group	2	0	0	2	4	9
1954	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	4	3	1	0	11	6
1938	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage	1	0	0	1	1	3
1938	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group (qualified)	2	1	1	0	4	3
1934	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage	1	0	0	1	2	5
1934	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group (qualified)	2	0	1	1	6	8
1930	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 1st in group	2	0	0	2	0	4

## Belgium - Head to head against teams in other pots

### Belgium v Albania

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
22/12/1984	FIFA World Cup	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Belgium	2 - 0
17/10/1984	FIFA World Cup	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Albania	3 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	2	1	0	1	3	3
Friendlies	-	-	-	-	-	-

- The two countries have not faced each other for 31 years, having been drawn together in a qualifying group only once – for the 1986 FIFA World Cup.
- Both teams won their home games, with Guy Thys's Belgium – who went on to reach the semi-finals in Mexico – triumphing 3-1 in Brussels. They lost 2-0 in Tirana, though, goals from Mirel Josa and Arbën Minga leading Albania to a famous victory.
- Former Albanian international Besnik Hasi is the coach of record Belgian champions Anderlecht.

### Belgium v Austria

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
25/03/2011	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Belgium	0 - 2
12/10/2010	UEFA EURO	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Austria	4 - 4
02/05/1979	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Belgium	0 - 0
28/03/1979	UEFA EURO	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Austria	1 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	1	3	0	7	5
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	10	1	0	9	11	36

- Belgium were held twice by Austria – 1-1 in Brussels, 0-0 in Vienna – in qualifying for EURO '80 in Italy, where they finished as runners-up.
- The only meetings since then came in UEFA EURO 2012 qualification, with both teams failing to finish in the top two of their group. A 4-4 draw in Brussels was followed by a 2-0 win for Belgium in Vienna when Axel Witsel scored both goals.
- That was only the second win ever recorded by Belgium against Austria, who won the first nine meetings – between 1925 and 1959 – before the Red Devils earned a 1-0 victory in a Charleroi friendly in March 1978.

**Belgium v Croatia****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
11/10/2013	FIFA World Cup	Zagreb (CRO)	Croatia - Belgium	1 - 2
11/09/2012	FIFA World Cup	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Croatia	1 - 1
10/09/2003	UEFA EURO	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Croatia	2 - 1
29/03/2003	UEFA EURO	Zagreb (CRO)	Croatia - Belgium	4 - 0
06/10/2001	FIFA World Cup	Zagreb (CRO)	Croatia - Belgium	1 - 0
02/09/2000	FIFA World Cup	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Croatia	0 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	1	0	1	2	5
World Cup	4	1	2	1	3	3
Friendlies	-	-	-	-	-	-

• Belgium clinched their place at the 2014 FIFA World Cup – ending a major tournament absence of 12 years – thanks to a 2-1 victory over Croatia in Zagreb, striker Romelu Lukaku scoring both goals. The earlier fixture in Brussels had ended 1-1.

♦♦ Croatia had won their previous two qualifiers against Belgium in Zagreb without conceding, the second of them a 4-0 victory in qualification for UEFA EURO 2004. That is the only time in seven meetings that there has been more than one goal between the sides.

• Croatia pipped Belgium to top spot in their qualifying group for the 2002 World Cup when Alen Boksić scored the only goal in the decisive final fixture. Belgium joined them in Korea/Japan via the play-offs.

**Belgium v Czech Republic****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
14/11/2001	FIFA World Cup	Prague (CZE)	Czech Republic - Belgium	0 - 1 (agg: 0-2)
10/11/2001	FIFA World Cup	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Czech Republic	1 - 0
17/11/1993	FIFA World Cup	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Czechoslovakia	0 - 0
02/09/1992	FIFA World Cup	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Belgium	1 - 2
29/04/1989	FIFA World Cup	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Czechoslovakia	2 - 1
16/11/1988	FIFA World Cup	Bratislava (SVK)	Czechoslovakia - Belgium	0 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	6	4	2	0	6	2
Friendlies	9	0	1	8	9	25

• The only competitive fixtures between the countries came in a play-off for the 2002 FIFA World Cup, Belgium winning both legs 1-0. Current Red Devils head coach Marc Wilmots scored the decisive penalty in Prague, his seventh goal of that qualifying competition.

• The Czech Republic have won both friendlies staged in the past decade, 2-0 in Brussels in February 2007 and 3-1 in Teplice in August 2009. Belgium defender Jan Vertonghen scored his first international goal in the latter game.

• Czechoslovakia won their first five matches against Belgium – all friendlies – but Belgium were undefeated in the four competitive internationals between the sides as they qualified for the 1990 and 1994 World Cups.

**Belgium v Hungary****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
22/06/1982	FIFA World Cup	Elche (ESP)	Belgium - Hungary	1 - 1
17/06/1972	UEFA EURO	Liege (BEL)	Hungary - Belgium	1 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	1	1	0	0	2	1
World Cup	1	0	1	0	1	1
Friendlies	10	7	1	2	24	14

- Belgium and Hungary have not met in a competitive fixture since the 1982 FIFA World Cup, when they drew 1-1 in Elche. Alex Czerniatynski's late equaliser took the Red Devils through to the second phase at their opponents' expense.
- The only other competitive meeting was the third-place play-off at the 1972 UEFA European Championship; Belgium's Paul Van Himst scored the winner in a 2-1 success for the tournament hosts.
- The only meeting in the past 20 years was a November 2009 friendly in Ghent. Belgium won 3-0 with goals from Marouane Fellaini, Thomas Vermaelen and Kevin Mirallas.

**Belgium v Iceland****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
03/09/1977	FIFA World Cup	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Iceland	4 - 0
05/09/1976	FIFA World Cup	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Belgium	0 - 1
06/09/1975	UEFA EURO	Liege (BEL)	Belgium - Iceland	1 - 0
08/09/1974	UEFA EURO	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Belgium	0 - 2
22/05/1972	FIFA World Cup	Bruges (BEL)	Iceland - Belgium	0 - 4
18/05/1972	FIFA World Cup	Liege (BEL)	Belgium - Iceland	4 - 0
04/09/1957	FIFA World Cup	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Belgium	2 - 5
05/06/1957	FIFA World Cup	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Iceland	8 - 3

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	2	0	0	3	0
World Cup	6	6	0	0	26	5
Friendlies	1	1	0	0	3	1

- Belgium have defeated Iceland in all nine of their meetings.
- Regular qualifying opponents during the 1970s, when Iceland failed to score in all six matches against Belgium.
- After a gap of 37 years the teams came face to face again in a November 2014 friendly. Belgium maintained their perfect record with a 3-1 Brussels win thanks to goals from Nicolas Lombaerts, Divock Origi and Romelu Lukaku; Iceland's reply came from Alfred Finnbogason.

**Belgium v Italy****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
14/06/2000	UEFA EURO	Brussels (BEL)	Italy - Belgium	2 - 0
18/06/1980	UEFA EURO	Rome (ITA)	Italy - Belgium	0 - 0
13/05/1972	UEFA EURO	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Italy	2 - 1 (agg: 2-1)
29/04/1972	UEFA EURO	Milan (ITA)	Italy - Belgium	0 - 0
20/06/1954	FIFA World Cup	Lugano (SUI)	Italy - Belgium	4 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	1	2	1	2	3
World Cup	1	0	0	1	1	4
Friendlies	16	3	2	11	21	34

- The countries met for the first time since 2008 in November 2015, Belgium coming from behind to defeat Italy 3-1 in a Brussels friendly. Jan Vertonghen, Kevin De Bruyne and Michy Batshuayi scored for the hosts in reply to Antonio Candreva's early strike.
- That was only the fourth victory for Belgium over the Azzurri in 21 meetings, their sole competitive triumph coming in the quarter-finals of the 1972 UEFA European Championship. They won 2-1 in Brussels after a goalless draw in Milan to eliminate the holders.
- The nations have met twice at the EURO final tournament, a goalless draw in Turin in 1980 enabling Belgium to reach the final at the hosts' expense. Twenty years later Italy helped to eliminate the UEFA EURO 2000 co-hosts at the group stage with a 2-0 victory in Brussels, Francesco Totti and Stefano Fiore scoring.

**Belgium v Northern Ireland****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
16/11/1977	FIFA World Cup	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Belgium	3 - 0
10/11/1976	FIFA World Cup	Liege (BEL)	Belgium - Northern Ireland	2 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	2	1	0	1	2	3
Friendlies	1	0	0	1	0	3

- Belgium and Northern Ireland traded home wins – 2-0 in Liege, 3-0 in Belfast – in qualifying for the 1978 FIFA World Cup but have not met competitively since.
- The only friendly encounter, in February 1997, resulted in another 3-0 victory for Northern Ireland at Windsor Park as Bryan Hamilton's side convincingly defeated Georges Leekens' visitors.
- Northern Ireland defender Paddy McNair is a Manchester United team-mate of Belgium's Marouane Fellaini.



**Belgium v Poland****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
17/11/2007	UEFA EURO	Chorzow (POL)	Poland - Belgium	2 - 0
15/11/2006	UEFA EURO	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Poland	0 - 1
11/09/1985	FIFA World Cup	Chorzow (POL)	Poland - Belgium	0 - 0
01/05/1985	FIFA World Cup	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Poland	2 - 0
28/06/1982	FIFA World Cup	Barcelona (ESP)	Poland - Belgium	3 - 0
08/10/1967	UEFA EURO	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Poland	2 - 4
21/05/1967	UEFA EURO	Chorzow (POL)	Poland - Belgium	3 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	0	0	4	3	10
World Cup	3	1	1	1	2	3
Friendlies	12	5	5	2	15	13

- There is little to choose between these nations in historical terms, with Poland recording seven victories to Belgium's six in 19 meetings.
- Poland, however, have won all four matches in the UEFA European Championship, securing their first final tournament qualification in November 2007 with a 2-0 win over Belgium in Chorzow. Eusebiusz Smolarek scored both goals.
- The only previous encounter at a final tournament came at the 1982 FIFA World Cup. A Zbigniew Boniek hat-trick at the Camp Nou in Barcelona gave Poland a 3-0 triumph that paved their way to the semi-finals.

**Belgium v Republic of Ireland****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
15/11/1997	FIFA World Cup	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Republic of Ireland	2 - 1 (agg: 3-2)
29/10/1997	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Belgium	1 - 1
29/04/1987	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Belgium	0 - 0
10/09/1986	UEFA EURO	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Republic of Ireland	2 - 2
25/03/1981	FIFA World Cup	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Republic of Ireland	1 - 0
15/10/1980	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Belgium	1 - 1
25/02/1934	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Belgium	4 - 4

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	0	2	0	2	2
World Cup	5	2	3	0	9	7
Friendlies	6	3	0	3	14	11

- Matches between these countries have traditionally been tight, with four of the last six fixtures drawn and Belgium winning the other two by a one-goal margin.
- Two of those draws – 2-2 in Brussels, 0-0 in Dublin – came in qualifying for the 1988 UEFA European Championship as Ireland reached the finals for the first time. There have been no subsequent meetings in this competition.
- The most recent games took place in November 1997 as Belgium defeated Ireland 3-2 on aggregate in a play-off for the 1998 FIFA World Cup. Luc Nilis scored in both legs for the Red Devils.

**Belgium v Romania****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
13/10/1993	FIFA World Cup	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Belgium	2 - 1
14/10/1992	FIFA World Cup	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Romania	1 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	2	1	0	1	2	2
Friendlies	10	4	2	4	14	12

- The countries are evenly matched historically with five wins apiece in their 12 encounters between 1937 and 2012; no team has recorded an away victory.
- Home wins were the order of the day in qualifying for the 1994 FIFA World Cup, the only two competitive matches between the sides.
- There were 2-1 home successes in both of the teams' recent friendly encounters, Belgium taking the spoils in Liege in November 2011. Romania did likewise in Bucharest 12 months later, Alexandru Maxim and a Gabriel Torje penalty responding to Christian Benteke's opener.

**Belgium v Russia****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
22/06/2014	FIFA World Cup	Rio de Janeiro (BRA)	Belgium - Russia	1 - 0
14/06/2002	FIFA World Cup	Shizuoka (JPN)	Belgium - Russia	3 - 2
15/06/1986	FIFA World Cup	Leon (MEX)	Belgium - USSR	4 - 3 (aet)
01/07/1982	FIFA World Cup	Barcelona (ESP)	Belgium - USSR	0 - 1
06/06/1970	FIFA World Cup	Mexico City (MEX)	USSR - Belgium	4 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	5	3	0	2	9	10
Friendlies	4	1	1	2	2	2

- Belgium defeated Russia 1-0 in the 2014 FIFA World Cup group stage, Divock Origi's 88th-minute winner in Rio de Janeiro helping his team to progress as group winners and send their opponents home early.
- Belgium also got the better of Russia in the 2002 World Cup group stage, winning 3-2 in Shizuoka. The decisive goal came from current Belgium head coach Marc Wilmots.
- There were three meetings at the World Cup finals between Belgium and the USSR, the most famous in Leon at Mexico '86, where Belgium prevailed 4-3 after extra time to reach the quarter-finals.

**Belgium v Slovakia****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
17/11/1993	FIFA World Cup	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Czechoslovakia	0 - 0
02/09/1992	FIFA World Cup	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Belgium	1 - 2
29/04/1989	FIFA World Cup	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Czechoslovakia	2 - 1
16/11/1988	FIFA World Cup	Bratislava (SVK)	Czechoslovakia - Belgium	0 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	4	2	2	0	4	2
Friendlies	8	1	2	5	11	21

- The nations have yet to meet in a competitive international.
- The first two friendly games ended 1-1. The third, in Bruges in February 2013, looked set to finish the same way when Eden Hazard's early penalty was equalised late on by Slovakian debutant Richard Lásik, only for Dries Mertens to snatch victory for the hosts in the last minute.

**Belgium v Sweden****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
10/06/2000	UEFA EURO	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Sweden	2 - 1
04/10/1961	FIFA World Cup	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Sweden	0 - 2
19/10/1960	FIFA World Cup	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Belgium	2 - 0
08/10/1953	FIFA World Cup	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Sweden	2 - 0
28/05/1953	FIFA World Cup	Stockholm (SWE)	Sweden - Belgium	2 - 3

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	1	1	0	0	2	1
World Cup	4	2	0	2	5	6
Friendlies	10	5	2	3	20	23

- Co-hosts Belgium, coached by Robert Waseige, defeated Sweden 2-1 in the opening match of UEFA EURO 2000 thanks to goals from Bart Goor and Émile Mpenza. However, neither team reached the quarter-finals.
- At the Friends Arena in June 2014, the countries met for the first time since that Brussels encounter. Visitors Belgium won 2-0 thanks to goals from Romelu Lukaku and Eden Hazard.
- Belgium defeated Sweden home and away in qualifying for the 1954 FIFA World Cup, with Sweden turning the tables for the 1962 tournament – although they did not qualify for the finals in Chile.

**Belgium v Switzerland****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
11/10/1989	FIFA World Cup	Basel (SUI)	Switzerland - Belgium	2 - 2
19/10/1988	FIFA World Cup	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Switzerland	1 - 0
09/11/1983	UEFA EURO	Berne (SUI)	Switzerland - Belgium	3 - 1
06/10/1982	UEFA EURO	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Switzerland	3 - 0
20/05/1961	FIFA World Cup	Lausanne (SUI)	Switzerland - Belgium	2 - 1
20/11/1960	FIFA World Cup	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Switzerland	2 - 4

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	1	0	1	4	3
World Cup	4	1	1	2	6	8
Friendlies	20	9	6	5	39	27

- The nations last met in qualifying for the 1990 FIFA World Cup. Belgium had the better of things, following a 1-0 win in Brussels with a 2-2 draw in Basel to reach the finals as group winners.
- Both countries were eliminated by Argentina at the 2014 World Cup, losing 1-0 in successive knockout rounds – Switzerland in the last 16 and Belgium in the quarter-finals.
- The nations' only two UEFA European Championship encounters came in the 1984 preliminaries. Both teams won their home qualifiers: Belgium 3-0 in Brussels and Switzerland 3-1 in Berne.

**Belgium v Turkey****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
03/06/2011	UEFA EURO	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Turkey	1 - 1
07/09/2010	UEFA EURO	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Belgium	3 - 2
10/10/2009	FIFA World Cup	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Turkey	2 - 0
10/09/2008	FIFA World Cup	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Belgium	1 - 1
19/06/2000	UEFA EURO	Brussels (BEL)	Turkey - Belgium	2 - 0
30/04/1997	FIFA World Cup	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Belgium	1 - 3
31/08/1996	FIFA World Cup	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Turkey	2 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	3	0	1	2	3	6
World Cup	4	3	1	0	8	3
Friendlies	4	0	3	1	7	8

- Turkey ended co-hosts Belgium's interest in UEFA EURO 2000 when a Hakan Şükür double in the final group game in Brussels gave them a 2-0 win and a place in the quarter-finals. It was Turkey's first victory at a major tournament.
- Five of the sides' 11 matches have been drawn, with each country winning three times apiece.
- The nations were paired together in the qualifying groups for the 2010 FIFA World Cup and UEFA EURO 2012. However, neither side qualified for either tournament, Turkey missing out on the latter in the play-offs.

**Belgium v Ukraine**

No previous meetings
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- Belgium and Ukraine have never met.
- Belgium defeated a USSR team led by a Ukrainian coach, Valeriy Lobanovskiy, and featuring several Ukrainian players in a memorable last-16 encounter at the 1986 FIFA World Cup, winning 4-3 after extra time in Leon. One of those Ukrainians, Igor Belanov, scored a hat-trick and went on to receive that year's Ballon d'Or.

**Belgium v Wales****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
12/06/2015	UEFA EURO	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Belgium	1 - 0
16/11/2014	UEFA EURO	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Wales	0 - 0
15/10/2013	FIFA World Cup	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Wales	1 - 1
07/09/2012	FIFA World Cup	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Belgium	0 - 2
11/10/1997	FIFA World Cup	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Wales	3 - 2
29/03/1997	FIFA World Cup	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Belgium	1 - 2
31/03/1993	FIFA World Cup	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Belgium	2 - 0
18/11/1992	FIFA World Cup	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Wales	2 - 0
27/03/1991	UEFA EURO	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Wales	1 - 1
17/10/1990	UEFA EURO	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Belgium	3 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	0	2	2	2	5
World Cup	6	4	1	1	10	6
Friendlies	2	1	0	1	4	6

- The nations qualified for UEFA EURO 2016 from the same group, Belgium topping the section but Wales having the edge in the head-to-head encounters. The Welsh won 1-0 in Cardiff with a Gareth Bale goal after a 0-0 draw in Brussels.
- Belgium came out on top in both respects during qualification for the 2014 FIFA World Cup, going through to Brazil as group winners after prevailing 2-0 in Cardiff with defenders Vincent Kompany and Jan Vertonghen on the scoresheet. It was 1-1 in Brussels after Aaron Ramsey equalised late on for the visitors following Kevin De Bruyne's opener.
- Wales defender Ben Davies is a Tottenham Hotspur team-mate of Belgian quartet Vertonghen, Toby Alderweireld, Mousa Dembélé and Nacer Chadli. Joe Allen plays alongside Simon Mignolet, Christian Benteke and Divock Origi at Liverpool.

## Team profiles: Pot 2

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Italy



Russia



Switzerland



Austria



Croatia



Ukraine



## Italy - Team profile

**Best result:** winners 1968

**Coach:** Antonio Conte

**Leading scorers:** all-time – Luigi Riva (35); current – Daniele De Rossi (17)

**Most appearances:** all-time – Gianluigi Buffon (154); current – Gianluigi Buffon (154)

**Association formed:** 1898

**Nickname:** Azzurri (Blues)

**Where they play:** Various

Europe's joint most successful nation in the FIFA World Cup with four victories, in 1934, 1938, 1982 and 2006, Italy have been crowned champions of Europe on just one occasion, back in 1968 when they lifted the Henri Delaunay Cup after a replayed final against Yugoslavia in Rome.

They have experienced mixed fortunes in the competition since then, failing to qualify in 1984 and 1992 but reaching the final in both 2000 and 2012. The Azzurri won their UEFA EURO 2016 qualifying group with room to spare, remaining undefeated in their ten matches to secure their place at the finals for the sixth time in a row.

### EURO pedigree

#### Matches played

**Overall:** P141 W77 D45 L19 F220 A97

**Final tournament:** P33 W13 D15 L5 F33 A25

**Qualifying:** P108 W64 D30 L14 F186 A72

Italy's sole UEFA European Championship success came in Rome in 1968 when, under coach Ferruccio Valcareggi and with Dino Zoff in goal, Yugoslavia were beaten 2-0 in a final replay two days after a 1-1 draw. The Azzurri came close to adding a second European title in 2000, Sylvain Wiltord's last-gasp equaliser for France denying them before David Trezeguet ended their dreams with an extra-time golden goal.

There was more heartbreak in 2012, but a 4-0 loss to Spain was hardly close – indeed, that marks the most one-sided EURO final to date. Semi-finalists in 1980 and 1988, Italy have reached every tournament since 1992, when they were edged out by the Commonwealth of Independent States in qualifying.

### Memorable EURO matches

#### 28/06/2012: Germany 1-2 Italy, UEFA EURO 2012 semi-finals

Two Balotelli goals and a fine overall display helped Italy eliminate their fancied opponents.

#### 29/06/2000: Netherlands 0-0 Italy (1-3 on pens), UEFA EURO 2000 semi-finals

Down to ten men, Zoff's side overcame a side that twice failed from the spot in regulation time.

#### 10/06/1968: Italy 2-0 Yugoslavia, 1968 UEFA European Championship final

Goals from Luigi Riva and Pietro Anastasi sealed Italy's only EURO title to date.

### Did you know?

Italy hosted the first eight-team final tournament in 1980 but had to settle for fourth place after losing a third-place play-off on penalties to Czechoslovakia.

\*Last updated on 18/11/15

## Italy - Coach profile

### Antonio Conte

**Date of birth:** 31 July 1969

**Nationality:** Italian

**Playing career:** US Lecce, Juventus

**Coaching career:** AC Siena (assistant), USD Arezzo, AS Bari, Atalanta BC, AC Siena, Juventus, Italy

- A combative and versatile midfielder, Conte also weighed in with his share of goals – usually spectacular.
- Made Serie A debut with hometown club Lecce aged 16 in 1985/86 but was not a regular until 1988/89 when his side returned to the top flight after two seasons away. Joined Juventus in November 1991.
- Spent the next 13 seasons at Juve, later describing the famous black-and-white shirt as his "second skin". Won five league titles, the UEFA Champions League in 1995/96 and the UEFA Cup in 1992/93 in addition to triumphs in the UEFA Super Cup, Italian Cup and a European/South American Cup, wearing the captain's armband from 1996. Capped 20 times by Italy, he was part of the squads that finished runners-up at the 1994 FIFA World Cup and UEFA EURO 2000.
- Started coaching career as assistant at Siena in 2005, taking over Serie B side Arezzo the following season. After leading Bari and Siena to the top flight in 2009 and 2011 respectively, he signed a two-year contract with Juventus.
- Wasted no time in revamping the squad and enjoyed a debut season to remember as the Bianconeri claimed the Scudetto without losing a single game, suffering their sole defeat of the season against SSC Napoli in the Coppa Italia final. Led Juventus to a second successive title in 2013 and made it three in a row the following year, before stepping down in July 2014. Appointed Italy coach on a two-year deal a month later, he guided the Azzurri undefeated to UEFA EURO 2016.



## Italy - Team facts

### EURO record

	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
Overall	141	77	45	19	217	97
Final tournament	33	13	15	5	33	25
Qualifying	108	64	30	14	184	72

### UEFA European Championship records: Italy

#### History

2012 – runners-up  
 2008 – quarter finals  
 2004 – group stage  
 2000 – runners-up  
 1996 – group stage  
 1992 – did not qualify  
 1988 – semi-finals  
 1984 – did not qualify  
 1980 – fourth place  
 1976 – did not qualify  
 1972 – did not qualify  
 1968 – winners  
 1964 – did not qualify  
 1960 – did not enter

#### Final tournament win

**2-0:** five times, most recently v Republic of Ireland, 18/06/12

#### Final tournament loss

**4-0:** Spain v Italy, 01/07/12

#### Qualifying win

**6-0:** Italy v Turkey, 02/12/62

#### Qualifying loss

**0-3:** Italy v Sweden, 15/10/83

#### Final tournament appearances

**13:** Paolo Maldini  
**13:** Alessandro Del Piero  
**13:** Gianluigi Buffon  
**13:** Antonio Cassano  
**11:** Gianluca Zambrotta  
**11:** Andrea Pirlo

#### Final tournament goals

**3:** Mario Balotelli  
**3:** Antonio Cassano  
**2:** Pierluigi Casiraghi  
**2:** Filippo Inzaghi  
**2:** Andrea Pirlo  
**2:** Francesco Totti

#### Overall appearances

**54:** Gianluigi Buffon  
**37:** Andrea Pirlo  
**35:** Fabio Cannavaro  
**33:** Paolo Maldini  
**32:** Alessandro Del Piero  
**28:** Daniele De Rossi  
**28:** Giorgio Chiellini

#### Overall goals

**14:** Filippo Inzaghi

**10:** Luigi Riva  
**9:** Alessandro Altobelli  
**9:** Alessandro Del Piero  
**9:** Antonio Cassano

### UEFA EURO and FIFA World Cup campaigns

Season	Competition	Result	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
2016	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group	10	7	3	0	16	7
2014	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	10	6	4	0	19	9
2012	EURO finals	Final	6	2	3	1	6	7
2012	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	10	8	2	0	17	2
2010	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 4th in group	3	0	2	1	4	5
2010	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	10	7	3	0	18	7
2008	EURO finals	Quarter-finals	4	1	2	1	3	4
2008	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	12	9	2	1	22	9
2006	World Cup finals	Final	7	5	2	0	12	2
2006	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	10	7	2	1	17	8
2004	EURO finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	3	1	2	0	3	2
2004	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	8	5	2	1	17	4
2002	World Cup finals	Round of 16	4	1	1	2	5	5
2002	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	8	6	2	0	16	3
2000	EURO finals	Final	6	4	1	1	9	4
2000	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 1st in group (qualified)	8	4	3	1	13	5
1998	World Cup finals	Quarter-finals	5	3	2	0	8	3
1998	World Cup qualifying	Play-off for Final Tournament (qualified)	10	6	4	0	13	2
1996	EURO finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	3	1	1	1	3	3
1996	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 2nd in group (qualified)	10	7	2	1	20	6
1994	World Cup finals	Final	7	4	2	1	8	5
1994	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	10	7	2	1	22	7
1992	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 2nd in group	8	3	4	1	12	5
1990	World Cup finals	3rd place	7	6	1	0	10	2
1988	EURO finals	Semi-finals	4	2	1	1	4	3
1988	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 1st in group (qualified)	8	6	1	1	16	4
1986	World Cup finals	Round of 16	4	1	2	1	5	6
1984	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 4th in group	8	1	3	4	6	12
1982	World Cup finals	Winner	7	4	3	0	12	6
1982	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group (qualified)	8	5	2	1	12	5
1980	EURO finals	4th place	4	1	3	0	2	1
1978	World Cup finals	4th place	7	4	1	2	9	6
1978	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	6	5	0	1	18	4
1976	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 3rd in group	6	2	3	1	3	3
1974	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	3	1	1	1	5	4
1974	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	6	4	2	0	12	0
1972	EURO qualifying	Quarter-finals	8	4	3	1	13	6
1970	World Cup finals	Final	6	3	2	1	10	8
1970	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	4	3	1	0	10	3
1968	EURO finals	Winner	3	1	2	0	3	1
1968	EURO qualifying	Quarter-finals (qualified)	8	6	1	1	21	6

**UEFA EURO and FIFA World Cup campaigns**

1966	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	3	1	0	2	2	2
1966	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	6	4	1	1	17	3
1964	EURO qualifying	Round of 16	4	2	1	1	8	3
1962	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	3	1	1	1	3	2
1962	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round (qualified)	2	2	0	0	10	2
1958	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	4	2	0	2	5	5
1954	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	3	1	0	2	6	7
1954	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	2	2	0	0	7	2
1950	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 2nd in group	2	1	0	1	4	3
1938	World Cup finals	Winner	4	4	0	0	11	5
1934	World Cup finals	Winner	5	4	1	0	12	3
1934	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	1	1	0	0	4	0

## Italy - Head to head against teams in other pots

### Italy v Albania

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	1	1	0	0	1	0

- Albania and Italy have never been paired in an international competition.
- There has only been one previous meeting – a friendly in November 2014 at the Stadio Luigi Ferraris in Genoa. Italy triumphed 1-0 with an 82nd-minute winner from Stefano Okaka, the striker coming off the bench to score 17 minutes into his international debut.
- Albania goalkeeper Etrit Berisha (Lazio) and defender Elseid Hysaj (Napoli) play in Serie A.
- Albania and Italy have been drawn in the same group for 2018 FIFA World Cup qualifying.

### Italy v Belgium

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
14/06/2000	UEFA EURO	Brussels (BEL)	Italy - Belgium	2 - 0
18/06/1980	UEFA EURO	Rome (ITA)	Italy - Belgium	0 - 0
13/05/1972	UEFA EURO	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Italy	2 - 1 (agg: 2-1)
29/04/1972	UEFA EURO	Milan (ITA)	Italy - Belgium	0 - 0
20/06/1954	FIFA World Cup	Lugano (SUI)	Italy - Belgium	4 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	1	2	1	3	2
World Cup	1	1	0	0	4	1
Friendlies	16	11	2	3	34	21

- The countries met for the first time since 2008 in November 2015, Belgium coming from behind to defeat Italy 3-1 in a Brussels friendly. Jan Vertonghen, Kevin De Bruyne and Michy Batshuayi scored for the hosts in reply to Antonio Candreva's early strike.
- That was only the fourth victory for Belgium over the Azzurri in 21 meetings, their sole competitive triumph coming in the quarter-finals of the 1972 UEFA European Championship. They won 2-1 in Brussels after a goalless draw in Milan to eliminate the holders.
- The nations have met twice at the EURO final tournament, a goalless draw in Turin in 1980 enabling Belgium to reach the final at the hosts' expense. Twenty years later Italy helped to eliminate the UEFA EURO 2000 co-hosts at the group stage with a 2-0 victory in Brussels, Francesco Totti and Stefano Fiore scoring.

**Italy v Czech Republic****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
10/09/2013	FIFA World Cup	Turin (ITA)	Italy - Czech Republic	2 - 1
07/06/2013	FIFA World Cup	Prague (CZE)	Czech Republic - Italy	0 - 0
22/06/2006	FIFA World Cup	Hamburg (GER)	Czech Republic - Italy	0 - 2
14/06/1996	UEFA EURO	Liverpool (ENG)	Czech Republic - Italy	2 - 1
19/06/1990	FIFA World Cup	Rome (ITA)	Italy - Czechoslovakia	2 - 0
16/11/1983	UEFA EURO	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Italy	2 - 0
13/11/1982	UEFA EURO	Milan (ITA)	Italy - Czechoslovakia	2 - 2
21/06/1980	UEFA EURO	Naples (ITA)	Czechoslovakia - Italy	1 - 1 (9-8p)
10/06/1934	FIFA World Cup	Rome (ITA)	Italy - Czechoslovakia	2 - 1 (aet)

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	0	2	2	4	7
World Cup	5	4	1	0	8	2
Friendlies	23	7	8	8	34	35

- Paired in 2014 FIFA World Cup qualifying, Italy reached Brazil at the Czech Republic's expense. The teams drew 0-0 in Prague; three months later, Italy came from behind to win 2-1 in Turin with two goals in four second-half minutes from Giorgio Chiellini and a Mario Balotelli penalty.
- Pavel Nedvěd, a legendary footballer in both countries, scored his first international goal in the Czech Republic's 2-1 victory over Italy at EURO '96.
- Nedvěd's last competitive appearance for his country was the 2-0 defeat by Italy that eliminated the Czech Republic from the 2006 World Cup. The Czechs played the second half with ten men following Jan Polák's red card, Marco Materazzi and Filippo Inzaghi getting the goals.

**Italy v England****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
15/06/2014	FIFA World Cup	Manaus (BRA)	England - Italy	1 - 2
24/06/2012	UEFA EURO	Kyiv (UKR)	England - Italy	0 - 0 (2-4p)
11/10/1997	FIFA World Cup	Rome (ITA)	Italy - England	0 - 0
12/02/1997	FIFA World Cup	London (ENG)	England - Italy	0 - 1
07/07/1990	FIFA World Cup	Bari (ITA)	Italy - England	2 - 1
15/06/1980	UEFA EURO	Turin (ITA)	England - Italy	0 - 1
16/11/1977	FIFA World Cup	London (ENG)	England - Italy	2 - 0
17/11/1976	FIFA World Cup	Rome (ITA)	Italy - England	2 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	1	1	0	1	0
World Cup	6	4	1	1	7	4
Friendlies	18	5	6	7	22	28

- The nations met in the UEFA EURO 2012 quarter-finals, Italy prevailing on penalties after a goalless draw in Kyiv and going on to reach the final.
- The Azzurri also got the better of England in the opening group game of the 2014 FIFA World Cup, winning 2-1 in Manaus. Neither team, however, managed to qualify for the knockout phase.
- Italy defeated England 2-1 in the third place play-off at the 1990 World Cup after both sides had lost their semi-finals on penalties.

- England have never eliminated Italy from a major tournament, though they did top their group ahead of the Azzurri when Glenn Hoddle's men drew 0-0 in Rome to gain direct qualification for the 1998 World Cup. Italy later joined them in France via the play-offs.
- Italy striker Graziano Pellè plays his club football in England with Southampton; he was uncapped until his move to the Premier League in summer 2014.

## Italy v France

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
17/06/2008	UEFA EURO	Zurich (SUI)	France - Italy	0 - 2
08/09/2007	UEFA EURO	Milan (ITA)	Italy - France	0 - 0
06/09/2006	UEFA EURO	Saint-Denis (FRA)	France - Italy	3 - 1
09/07/2006	FIFA World Cup	Berlin (GER)	Italy - France	1 - 1 (0-0p)
02/07/2000	UEFA EURO	Rotterdam (NED)	France - Italy	2 - 1
03/07/1998	FIFA World Cup	Saint-Denis (FRA)	Italy - France	0 - 0 (3-4p)
17/06/1986	FIFA World Cup	Mexico (MEX)	Italy - France	0 - 2
02/06/1978	FIFA World Cup	Mar del Plata (ARG)	Italy - France	2 - 1
12/06/1938	FIFA World Cup	Paris (FRA)	Italy - France	3 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	1	1	2	4	5
World Cup	5	2	2	1	6	5
Friendlies	28	15	7	6	70	40

- The two nations contested the 2006 FIFA World Cup final, Italy taking the title for the fourth time after a shoot-out in which they converted all five of their spot kicks. The only player to miss was David Trezeguet, whose golden goal had defeated Italy in extra time of the UEFA EURO 2000 final.
- The World Cup final in Berlin featured an extra-time red card for Zinédine Zidane in his last ever game. He had been in the France team that overcame Italy on penalties in the 1998 World Cup quarter-final at the Stade de France.
- Having qualified for UEFA EURO 2008 from the same section, Italy beat France 2-0 in the group stage at the finals. Andrea Pirlo gave the Azzurri the lead from the spot after Éric Abidal was sent off, with Daniele De Rossi adding a second after the break.
- France edged Italy 2-1 in a Parma friendly in the sides' most recent meeting, in November 2012. Bafétimbi Gomis scored the winner after Mathieu Valbuena had swiftly equalised Stephan El Shaarawy's opener.
- French internationals Patrice Evra and Paul Pogba both belong to Italian champions Juventus, while Italy midfielder Marco Verratti plays for French counterparts Paris Saint-Germain.

**Italy v Germany****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
28/06/2012	UEFA EURO	Warsaw (POL)	Germany - Italy	1 - 2
04/07/2006	FIFA World Cup	Dortmund (GER)	Germany - Italy	0 - 2 (aet)
19/06/1996	UEFA EURO	Manchester (ENG)	Italy - Germany	0 - 0
10/06/1988	UEFA EURO	Dusseldorf (GER)	Germany - Italy	1 - 1
11/07/1982	FIFA World Cup	Madrid (ESP)	Italy - Germany	3 - 1
14/06/1978	FIFA World Cup	Buenos Aires (ARG)	Germany - Italy	0 - 0
17/06/1970	FIFA World Cup	Mexico City (MEX)	Italy - Germany	4 - 3 (aet)
31/05/1962	FIFA World Cup	Santiago (CHI)	Germany - Italy	0 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	3	1	2	0	3	2
World Cup	5	3	2	0	9	4
Friendlies	24	11	6	7	36	30

- Germany have never beaten Italy in a competitive match. The nations have met at eight tournaments in each of the last six decades, including the 1982 FIFA World Cup final. Italy beat West Germany 3-1 in Madrid with goals from Paolo Rossi, Marco Tardelli and Alessandro Altobelli.
- Germany faced the Azzurri in the 2006 World Cup semi-final in Dortmund. Late extra-time goals from Fabio Grosso and Alessandro Del Piero took Marcello Lippi's team through.
- An even more dramatic World Cup semi-final took place in Mexico City in 1970, when extra time was also needed before Italy triumphed 4-3. The encounter is widely cited as the greatest World Cup match of all time.
- Their first two EURO finals meetings resulted in draws – the opening match of the 1988 tournament, which Germany hosted, and the final group game at EURO '96. In the latter fixture, a missed penalty from Gianfranco Zola effectively eliminated Italy from the competition.
- Germany's winless competitive run against Italy was extended in the semi-finals of UEFA EURO 2012, two Mario Balotelli goals giving the Azzurri a 2-1 victory in Warsaw.

**Italy v Hungary****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
06/10/2001	FIFA World Cup	Parma (ITA)	Italy - Hungary	1 - 0
03/09/2000	FIFA World Cup	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - Italy	2 - 2
01/05/1991	UEFA EURO	Salerno (ITA)	Italy - Hungary	3 - 1
17/10/1990	UEFA EURO	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - Italy	1 - 1
06/06/1978	FIFA World Cup	Mar del Plata (ARG)	Italy - Hungary	3 - 1
19/06/1938	FIFA World Cup	Paris (FRA)	Italy - Hungary	4 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	1	1	0	4	2
World Cup	4	3	1	0	10	5
Friendlies	27	12	7	8	49	46

- Frequent opponents in the first half of the 20th century, including at the 1938 FIFA World Cup, where Italy defeated Hungary 4-2 en route to their successful trophy defence in France, the nations have met only three times since 2000. The most recent fixture was a 2007 friendly that Hungary won 3-1 against the reigning world champions in Budapest, Roland Juhász and Zoltán Gera among the scorers.
- Italy also defeated Hungary at the 1978 World Cup in Argentina, 3-1 in Mar del Plata. They are yet to lose to their opponents in four qualifiers, winning both home games and drawing the two away fixtures.

- The only previous UEFA European Championship meetings came in qualifying for EURO '92, a tournament both countries failed to reach after finishing behind the USSR, who would go on to compete in Sweden as CIS.

### Italy v Iceland

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	2	0	1	1	0	2

- There have been just two matches between Iceland and Italy, both friendlies, Iceland winning one and drawing the other.
- The teams first met in Reykjavik in August 2004, and a record crowd of 20,204 saw Iceland win 2-0 with goals from Eidur Gudjohnsen and Gylfi Einarsson in what was Marcello Lippi's debut as Italy head coach. Another friendly the following year, in Padova, ended goalless.
- Iceland midfielder Emil Hallfredsson plays in Italy's Serie A with Hellas Verona.

### Italy v Northern Ireland

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
11/10/2011	UEFA EURO	Pescara (ITA)	Italy - Northern Ireland	3 - 0
08/10/2010	UEFA EURO	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Italy	0 - 0
15/01/1958	FIFA World Cup	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Italy	2 - 1
25/04/1957	FIFA World Cup	Rome (ITA)	Italy - Northern Ireland	1 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	1	1	0	3	0
World Cup	2	1	0	1	2	2
Friendlies	5	4	1	0	12	4

- Northern Ireland have failed to score in their past five encounters with Italy, which include four away defeats and a goalless draw in Belfast.
- That draw came in the UEFA EURO 2012 qualifying campaign, but it proved an insignificant stumbling block for Cesare Prandelli's side. The Azzurri won the group by ten points, signing off with a 3-0 win against Nigel Worthington's team in Pescara, where Antonio Cassano scored twice.
- Northern Ireland's only victory over Italy, 2-1 at Windsor Park in January 1958, was a crucial one as it took the team through to that year's FIFA World Cup in Sweden, eliminating their opponents. That remains the only time in 19 attempts that Italy have failed to qualify for the World Cup.



**Italy v Poland****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
30/04/1997	FIFA World Cup	Naples (ITA)	Italy - Poland	3 - 0
02/04/1997	FIFA World Cup	Chorzow (POL)	Poland - Italy	0 - 0
08/07/1982	FIFA World Cup	Barcelona (ESP)	Poland - Italy	0 - 2
14/06/1982	FIFA World Cup	Vigo (ESP)	Italy - Poland	0 - 0
26/10/1975	UEFA EURO	Warsaw (POL)	Poland - Italy	0 - 0
19/04/1975	UEFA EURO	Rome (ITA)	Italy - Poland	0 - 0
23/06/1974	FIFA World Cup	Stuttgart (GER)	Poland - Italy	2 - 1
01/11/1965	FIFA World Cup	Rome (ITA)	Italy - Poland	6 - 1
18/04/1965	FIFA World Cup	Warsaw (POL)	Poland - Italy	0 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	0	2	0	0	0
World Cup	7	3	3	1	12	3
Friendlies	5	2	1	2	7	6

• The countries met twice at the 1982 FIFA World Cup, once in the group stage and again in the semi-finals, where Italy prevailed 2-0 thanks to two goals from Paolo Rossi; Poland were without star player Zbigniew Boniek, who was to join Italian club Juventus after the finals.

• Poland's only competitive victory came at the 1974 World Cup, a 2-1 win in Stuttgart sealing a group stage exit for Italy. The Azzurri defence has not been breached by Poland in six competitive matches since.

• Mario Balotelli and Giampaolo Pazzini scored as Italy triumphed 2-0 in the most recent meeting, a friendly in Wroclaw in November 2011.

**Italy v Portugal****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
17/11/1993	FIFA World Cup	Milan (ITA)	Italy - Portugal	1 - 0
24/02/1993	FIFA World Cup	Porto (POR)	Portugal - Italy	1 - 3
05/12/1987	UEFA EURO	Milan (ITA)	Italy - Portugal	3 - 0
14/02/1987	UEFA EURO	Oeiras (POR)	Portugal - Italy	0 - 1
22/12/1957	FIFA World Cup	Milan (ITA)	Italy - Portugal	3 - 0
26/05/1957	FIFA World Cup	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Italy	3 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	2	0	0	4	0
World Cup	4	3	0	1	7	4
Friendlies	19	13	2	4	40	18

• Portugal ended an 11-match, 39-year winless streak against Italy in June 2015 when they overcame the Azzurri 1-0 in a Geneva friendly with a goal from Éder.

• That unbeaten run for Italy incorporated the qualifying competition for EURO '88, in which Azeglio Vicini's side defeated Portugal 1-0 away and 3-0 at home.

• In November 1993 the sides met in a FIFA World Cup qualifier when victory for either would send them through to the finals at their opponents' expense. Italy's Dino Baggio scored the only goal in what was the last competitive encounter between the teams.

**Italy v Republic of Ireland****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
18/06/2012	UEFA EURO	Poznan (POL)	Italy - Republic of Ireland	2 - 0
10/10/2009	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Italy	2 - 2
01/04/2009	FIFA World Cup	Bari (ITA)	Italy - Republic of Ireland	1 - 1
18/06/1994	FIFA World Cup	New Jersey (USA)	Italy - Republic of Ireland	0 - 1
30/06/1990	FIFA World Cup	Rome (ITA)	Republic of Ireland - Italy	0 - 1
10/05/1971	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Italy	1 - 2
08/12/1970	UEFA EURO	Florence (ITA)	Italy - Republic of Ireland	3 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	3	3	0	0	7	1
World Cup	4	1	2	1	4	4
Friendlies	6	4	1	1	9	4

- The teams met at UEFA EURO 2012 in Poznan – their first UEFA European Championship final tournament encounter – Cesare Prandelli's Italy overcoming Giovanni Trapattoni's Republic of Ireland 2-0 thanks to goals from Antonio Cassano and Mario Balotelli.
- It was the fourth time that Trapattoni had led Ireland against his compatriots and his first defeat after two 2010 FIFA World Cup qualifying draws and a 2-0 friendly win in Liege.
- A Salvatore Schillaci strike in Rome was enough for Italy to beat Ireland in the quarter-finals of the 1990 World Cup. Four years later Ireland defeated the Azzurri by the same scoreline during the group stage courtesy of a Ray Houghton goal.
- The countries also crossed paths on the road to the 1972 UEFA European Championship, Italy winning 3-0 at home and 2-1 away, with Roberto Boninsegna and Pierino Prati on target in both games.

**Italy v Romania****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
13/06/2008	UEFA EURO	Zurich (SUI)	Italy - Romania	1 - 1
24/03/2001	FIFA World Cup	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Italy	0 - 2
07/10/2000	FIFA World Cup	Milan (ITA)	Italy - Romania	3 - 0
24/06/2000	UEFA EURO	Brussels (BEL)	Italy - Romania	2 - 0
16/04/1983	UEFA EURO	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Italy	1 - 0
04/12/1982	UEFA EURO	Florence (ITA)	Italy - Romania	0 - 0
25/06/1967	UEFA EURO	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Italy	0 - 1
26/11/1966	UEFA EURO	Naples (ITA)	Italy - Romania	3 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	6	3	2	1	7	3
World Cup	2	2	0	0	5	0
Friendlies	9	5	3	1	16	11

- Italy and Romania drew 1-1 at UEFA EURO 2008, Christian Panucci equalising Adrian Mutu's opener within a minute and Gianluigi Buffon then keeping his team in the tournament by saving a late Mutu penalty.
- Italy had won the four meetings prior to that Zurich encounter without conceding a goal, the sequence beginning with a 2-0 victory in Brussels in the quarter-finals of UEFA EURO 2000. Francesco Totti and Filippo Inzaghi scored, while Gheorghe Hagi was sent off on his 124th and last appearance for Romania. Inzaghi also struck in each of Italy's two wins (3-0 at home, 2-0 away) in 2002 FIFA World Cup qualifying.

- Romania helped to eliminate world champions Italy from the EURO '84 qualifying competition, going through to the finals in France as group winners thanks to a 0-0 draw in Florence and a 1-0 success in Bucharest.

## Italy v Slovakia

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
24/06/2010	FIFA World Cup	Johannesburg (RSA)	Slovakia - Italy	3 - 2
19/06/1990	FIFA World Cup	Rome (ITA)	Italy - Czechoslovakia	2 - 0
16/11/1983	UEFA EURO	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Italy	2 - 0
13/11/1982	UEFA EURO	Milan (ITA)	Italy - Czechoslovakia	2 - 2
21/06/1980	UEFA EURO	Naples (ITA)	Czechoslovakia - Italy	1 - 1 (9-8p)
10/06/1934	FIFA World Cup	Rome (ITA)	Italy - Czechoslovakia	2 - 1 (aet)

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	3	0	2	1	3	5
World Cup	3	2	0	1	6	4
Friendlies	22	8	7	7	35	32

- Slovakia knocked holders Italy out of the 2010 FIFA World Cup – and progressed to the knockout phase – with a thrilling 3-2 victory in Johannesburg. The country's record marksman Róbert Vittek scored twice in what is widely regarded as the nation's greatest sporting triumph.

- That game was the 136th and final match in an Azzurri shirt for 2006 World Cup-winning captain Fabio Cannavaro – an appearance record that has since been broken by Gianluigi Buffon.

- Marek Hamšík, who captained Slovakia in that World Cup win, plays now, as he did then, for Serie A club Napoli. Juraj Kucka, another member of the team that beat Marcello Lippi's side in Johannesburg, is with AC Milan.

## Italy v Spain

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
01/07/2012	UEFA EURO	Kyiv (UKR)	Spain - Italy	4 - 0
10/06/2012	UEFA EURO	Gdansk (POL)	Spain - Italy	1 - 1
22/06/2008	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Spain - Italy	0 - 0 (4-2p)
09/07/1994	FIFA World Cup	Boston (USA)	Italy - Spain	2 - 1
14/06/1988	UEFA EURO	Frankfurt am Main (GER)	Italy - Spain	1 - 0
12/06/1980	UEFA EURO	Milan (ITA)	Spain - Italy	0 - 0
01/06/1934	FIFA World Cup	Florence (ITA)	Italy - Spain	1 - 0
31/05/1934	FIFA World Cup	Florence (ITA)	Italy - Spain	1 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	5	1	3	1	2	5
World Cup	3	2	1	0	4	2
Friendlies	24	7	8	9	33	28

- Spain beat Italy 4-0 in the final of UEFA EURO 2012 in Kyiv to become the first team to retain the trophy. The nations had also met in the group stage, drawing 1-1 in Gdansk. There was another draw, 0-0, in the 2013 FIFA Confederations Cup semi-finals in Brazil; Spain won 7-6 on penalties.

- Cesc Fàbregas converted the winning kick as Spain beat Italy 4-2 on penalties in the UEFA EURO 2008 quarter-finals after a 0-0 draw. That was their first competitive win against the Azzurri since the final of the 1920 Olympic Games football tournament.

- Italy have twice beaten Spain in FIFA World Cup quarter-finals, Giuseppe Meazza sealing a replay triumph in

1934. Sixty years later, Roberto Baggio's 88th-minute goal earned a 2-1 win in Boston.

- The most recent meeting, a Madrid friendly in March 2014, was won 1-0 by Spain with a 63rd-minute strike from Pedro Rodríguez. The nations are set to meet again in qualifying for the 2018 World Cup.
- Spain striker Álvaro Morata plays for reigning Italian champions Juventus.

## Italy v Sweden

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
18/06/2004	UEFA EURO	Porto (POR)	Italy - Sweden	1 - 1
19/06/2000	UEFA EURO	Eindhoven (NED)	Italy - Sweden	2 - 1
14/11/1987	UEFA EURO	Naples (ITA)	Italy - Sweden	2 - 1
03/06/1987	UEFA EURO	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Italy	1 - 0
15/10/1983	UEFA EURO	Naples (ITA)	Italy - Sweden	0 - 3
29/05/1983	UEFA EURO	Gothenburg (SWE)	Sweden - Italy	2 - 0
09/10/1971	UEFA EURO	Milan (ITA)	Italy - Sweden	3 - 0
09/06/1971	UEFA EURO	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Italy	0 - 0
03/06/1970	FIFA World Cup	Toluca (MEX)	Italy - Sweden	1 - 0
25/06/1950	FIFA World Cup	Sao Paulo (BRA)	Sweden - Italy	3 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	8	3	2	3	8	9
World Cup	2	1	0	1	3	3
Friendlies	12	6	4	2	16	12

- Erik Hamrén's first match as Sweden coach came against Italy in Cesena in November 2009, when defender Giorgio Chiellini scored the only goal in a friendly victory for the Azzurri. That was the teams' last meeting.
- Italy ended Sweden's UEFA EURO 2000 ambitions with a 2-1 group stage win but the Blågult gained a measure of revenge four years later in Portugal when a 1-1 draw, courtesy of Zlatan Ibrahimović's impudent equaliser, helped to eliminate the Azzurri.
- Sweden's 3-2 triumph in the 1950 FIFA World Cup group stage sent them through at Italy's expense. Twenty years later the roles were reversed as Italy won 1-0 in Toluca, Mexico – the last time the nations met in a World Cup fixture.

## Italy v Turkey

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
11/06/2000	UEFA EURO	Arnhem (NED)	Turkey - Italy	1 - 2
25/02/1973	FIFA World Cup	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Italy	0 - 1
13/01/1973	FIFA World Cup	Naples (ITA)	Italy - Turkey	0 - 0
27/03/1963	UEFA EURO	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Italy	0 - 1 (agg: 0-7)
02/12/1962	UEFA EURO	Bologna (ITA)	Italy - Turkey	6 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	3	3	0	0	9	1
World Cup	2	1	1	0	1	0
Friendlies	5	3	2	0	8	4

- Turkey have never beaten Italy but they have drawn each of their last two friendly encounters 1-1 – both on Italian soil, most recently in Bergamo in November 2006. They have breached the Azzurri defence in each of the last five meetings, having failed to score against them in their first five.
- The teams met at UEFA EURO 2000 in the opening game of the group stage. The match was settled 2-1 in Italy's

favour by a spectacular opening strike from current Italy coach Antonio Conte and a Filippo Inzaghi penalty – after Okan Buruk had become the first Turkish player to score a competitive goal against the Azzurri. Both countries went through to the quarter-finals.

- Turkey coach Fatih Terim had brief spells in charge of Italian clubs ACF Fiorentina and AC Milan in 2000 and 2001.

## Italy v Wales

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
06/09/2003	UEFA EURO	Milan (ITA)	Italy - Wales	4 - 0
16/10/2002	UEFA EURO	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Italy	2 - 1
05/06/1999	UEFA EURO	Bologna (ITA)	Italy - Wales	4 - 0
05/09/1998	UEFA EURO	Liverpool (ENG)	Wales - Italy	0 - 2
04/11/1969	FIFA World Cup	Rome (ITA)	Italy - Wales	4 - 1
23/10/1968	FIFA World Cup	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Italy	0 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	3	0	1	11	2
World Cup	2	2	0	0	5	1
Friendlies	3	2	0	1	7	2

- The last four matches between Italy and Wales were all in UEFA European Championship qualifiers, the Azzurri progressing to the 2000 and 2004 finals with the help of 4-0 home wins in both campaigns.

- Filippo Inzaghi scored a hat-trick in the second of those victories, in Milan in September 2003, having also contributed one of the goals four years earlier in Bologna.

- Wales' only competitive win against Italy was in that UEFA EURO 2004 qualifying campaign – 2-1 in Cardiff, Craig Bellamy scoring the winner. Their solitary victory on Italian soil came in June 1988 when Ian Rush, a Juventus player at the time, struck the only goal in a friendly in Brescia.

 **Russia****Russia - Team profile**

**Best result:** winners 1960 (as Soviet Union)

**Coach:** Leonid Slutski

**Leading scorers:** all-time – Oleh Blokhin (42 for Soviet Union); current – Aleksandr Kerzhakov (30)

**Most appearances:** all-time – Sergei Ignashevich (114); current – Sergei Ignashevich (114)

**Association formed:** 1912

**Nickname:** None

**Where they play:** Various

Since the break-up of the Soviet Union – the inaugural winners of the UEFA European Championship, in 1960, and runners-up in 1964, 1972 and 1988 – Russia have been regular qualifiers for the four-yearly continental gathering, but only once have they made it through the group stage. That was in 2008, when Dutchman Guus Hiddink's attractive side reached the semi-finals. In post-Soviet days they qualified for the FIFA World Cups of 1994 and 2002, and again for Brazil 2014. UEFA EURO 2016 qualification was achieved as Group G runners-up after new coach Leonid Slutski, a mid-campaign replacement for Fabio Capello, oversaw wins in each of the team's last four matches.

**EURO pedigree****Matches played**

**Overall:** P150 W85 D35 L30 F271 A125

**Final tournament:** P30 W12 D6 L12 F36 A39

**Qualifying:** P120 W73 D29 L18 F235 A86

As part of the Soviet Union, Russia helped win the inaugural competition in 1960. A side containing FC Dinamo Moskva goalkeeper Lev Yashin and FC Spartak Moskva's Igor Netto beat Yugoslavia 2-1 in the final; striker Viktor Ponedelnik scored the extra-time winner. The USSR were runners-up to Spain in 1964, lost the 1972 final to West Germany and suffered more showpiece woe in 1988 as a Ukrainian-accented team went down 2-0 to the Netherlands.

Since playing under the banner of the CIS in 1992, Russia have struggled to repeat past glories. They earned one win in nine finals games in 1992, 1996 and 2004 and failed to qualify in 2000, before a welcome return to form in Austria and Switzerland where they reached the semi-finals. UEFA EURO 2012 brought another group stage exit, despite opening with a 4-1 defeat of the Czech Republic and a 1-1 draw with co-hosts Poland. Needing just another draw, they lost 1-0 to Greece.

**Memorable EURO matches**

**21/06/2008: Netherlands 1-3 Russia (aet), UEFA EURO 2008 quarter-finals**

Andrey Arshavin inspired Hiddink's men to a shock victory over the fancied Oranje.

**25/06/1988: Soviet Union 0-2 Netherlands, 1988 UEFA European Championship final**

Marco van Basten's wonder goal and Igor Belanov's spot-kick failure proved key.

**10/07/1960: Soviet Union 2-1 Yugoslavia (aet), 1960 UEFA European Championship final**

Ponedelnik's 113th-minute strike in Paris captured the first EURO title.

**Did you know?**

Aleksandr Kerzhakov's two goals against Azerbaijan in a friendly on 3 September 2014 took him past Vladimir Beschastnykh (26 goals) as the all-time top scorer for post-Soviet Russia.

\*Last updated on 18/11/15

## Russia - Coach profile

### Leonid Slutski

**Date of birth:** 4 May 1971

**Nationality:** Russian

**Playing career:** FC Zvezda Gorodische

**Coaching career:** FC Olimpia Volgograd, FC Uralan Elista, FC Moskva, PFC Krylya Sovetov Samara, PFC CSKA Moskva, Russia

- Started playing career as a goalkeeper with Volgograd regional team Zvezda Gorodishche, but suffered a severe injury after falling from a tree and was forced to hang up his gloves after just 13 matches.
- Began coaching career in youth football at Olimpia Volgograd. From 2002 to 2004 he worked at Uralan Elista where he was promoted to head coach following relegation from top flight. Took the reins at Moskva reserves in 2004 and replaced Valeri Petrakov as the club's head coach the following summer.
- Under Slutski, Moskva finished fifth in 2005 and sixth in 2006 before attaining a record-high fourth position in 2007. After a spell at Krylya Sovetov, guiding them into Europe, he took over at CSKA in October 2009, replacing Juande Ramos. That December he led CSKA to the UEFA Champions League knockout stages for the first time before quarter-final elimination by FC Internazionale Milano.
- Lifted first trophy in May 2011 with CSKA's Russian Cup triumph and went on to further success. CSKA returned to the UEFA Champions League knockout rounds in 2011/12, losing in the last 16 to Real Madrid CF, but 2012/13 brought their first league title since 2006 and a shoot-out defeat of FC Anji Makhachkala on penalties in the Russian Cup final.
- Began the next season with another trophy as CSKA lifted the Russian Super Cup and ended it with a second straight league title. In August 2015, he agreed to take charge of the Russia team until the end of UEFA EURO 2016, alongside his CSKA role, following the departure of Fabio Capello. Russia won all four of their remaining games, qualifying for France as Group G runners-up.

## Russia - Team facts

### EURO record

	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
Overall	150	84	36	30	268	125
Final tournament	30	12	6	12	36	39
Qualifying	120	72	30	18	232	86

### UEFA European Championship records: Russia

#### History

2012 – group stage  
 2008 – semi-finals  
 2004 – group stage  
 2000 – did not qualify  
 1996 – group stage  
 1992 – group stage (as Commonwealth of Independent States)  
 1988 – runners-up (as Soviet Union)  
 1984 – did not qualify (as Soviet Union)  
 1980 – did not qualify (as Soviet Union)  
 1976 – quarter-finals (as Soviet Union)  
 1972 – runners-up (as Soviet Union)  
 1968 – fourth place (as Soviet Union)  
 1964 – runners-up (as Soviet Union)  
 1960 – winners (as Soviet Union)

#### Final tournament win

**4-1:** Russia v Czech Republic, 08/06/12  
**0-3:** Czechoslovakia v Soviet Union, 06/07/60

#### Final tournament defeat

**4-1:** Spain v Russia, 10/06/08  
**0-3:** four times, most recently Russia v Spain, 26/06/08

#### Qualifying win

**0-7:** Liechtenstein v Russia, 08/09/15  
**0-7:** San Marino v Russia, 07/06/95

#### Qualifying defeat

**3-0:** England v Russia, 12/09/07  
**3-0:** Republic of Ireland v Soviet Union, 30/10/74

#### Final tournament appearances

**9:** Aleksandr Anyukov  
**8:** Roman Pavlyuchenko  
**8:** Yuri Zhirkov  
**7:** Sergei Ignashevich  
**7:** Konstantin Zyryanov

#### Final tournament goals

**4:** Roman Pavlyuchenko  
**3:** Alan Dzagoev  
**3:** Valentin Ivanov  
**3:** Viktor Ponedelnik  
**2:** Andrey Arshavin

#### Overall appearances

**46:** Sergei Ignashevich  
**34:** Viktor Onopko  
**31:** Vasili Berezutski  
**28:** Aleksandr Anyukov  
**28:** Andrey Arshavin  
**28:** Aleksandr Kerzhakov  
**28:** Yuri Zhirkov



**26:** Igor Akinfeev  
**24:** Aleksei Berezutski  
**23:** Konstantin Zyryanov

### Overall goals

**10:** Roman Pavlyuchenko  
**9:** Aleksandr Kerzhakov  
**8:** Alan Dzagoev  
**8:** Valeri Karpin  
**8:** Vladimir Beschastnykh  
**8:** Artem Dzyuba

### UEFA EURO and FIFA World Cup campaigns

Season	Competition	Result	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
2016	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	10	5	3	2	18	5
2014	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	10	7	1	2	20	5
2012	EURO finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	3	1	1	1	5	3
2012	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	10	7	2	1	17	4
2010	World Cup qualifying	Play-off for Final Tournament	12	8	1	3	21	8
2008	EURO finals	Semi-finals	5	3	0	2	7	8
2008	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group (qualified)	12	7	3	2	18	7
2006	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	12	6	5	1	23	12
2004	EURO finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 4th in group	3	1	0	2	2	4
2004	EURO qualifying	Play-off for Final Tournament (qualified)	10	5	3	2	20	12
2002	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	3	1	0	2	4	4
2002	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	10	7	2	1	18	5
2000	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 3rd in group	10	6	1	3	22	12
1998	World Cup qualifying	Play-off for Final Tournament	10	5	3	2	20	7
1996	EURO finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 4th in group	3	0	1	2	4	8
1996	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 1st in group (qualified)	10	8	2	0	34	5
1994	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	3	1	0	2	7	6
1994	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group (qualified)	8	5	2	1	15	4
1992	EURO finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 4th in group	3	0	2	1	1	4
1992	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 1st in group (qualified)	8	5	3	0	13	2
1990	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 4th in group	3	1	0	2	4	4
1990	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	8	4	3	1	11	4
1988	EURO finals	Final	5	3	1	1	7	4
1988	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 1st in group (qualified)	8	5	3	0	14	3
1986	World Cup finals	Round of 16	4	2	1	1	12	5
1986	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group (qualified)	8	4	2	2	13	8
1984	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 2nd in group	6	4	1	1	11	2
1982	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 2nd in group	5	2	2	1	7	4
1982	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	8	6	2	0	20	2
1980	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 4th in group	6	1	3	2	7	8
1978	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	4	2	0	2	5	3
1976	EURO qualifying	Quarter-finals	8	4	1	3	12	10
1974	World Cup qualifying	Play-off for Final Tournament	6	3	1	2	5	4
1972	EURO finals	Final	2	1	0	1	1	3
1972	EURO qualifying	Quarter-finals (qualified)	8	5	3	0	16	4
1970	World Cup finals	Quarter-finals	4	2	1	1	6	2

**UEFA EURO and FIFA World Cup campaigns**

1970	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	4	3	1	0	8	1
1968	EURO finals	4th place	2	0	1	1	0	2
1968	EURO qualifying	Quarter-finals (qualified)	8	6	0	2	19	8
1966	World Cup finals	4th place	6	4	0	2	10	6
1966	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	6	5	0	1	19	6
1964	EURO finals	Final	2	1	0	1	4	2
1964	EURO qualifying	Quarter-finals (qualified)	4	2	2	0	7	3
1962	World Cup finals	Quarter-finals	4	2	1	1	9	7
1962	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	4	4	0	0	11	3
1960	EURO finals	Winner	2	2	0	0	5	1
1960	EURO qualifying	Round of 16 (qualified)	2	2	0	0	4	1
1958	World Cup finals	Quarter-finals	5	2	1	2	5	6
1958	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	5	4	0	1	18	3

## Russia - Head to head against teams in other pots

### Russia v Albania

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
29/03/2003	UEFA EURO	Shkoder (ALB)	Albania - Russia	3 - 1
16/10/2002	UEFA EURO	Volgograd (RUS)	Russia - Albania	4 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	1	0	1	5	4
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	-	-	-	-	-	-

- Albania and Russia's only previous meetings came in UEFA EURO 2004 qualifying.
- Both teams won at home, Valeri Gazzaev's Russia prevailing 4-1 in Volgograd and Hans-Peter Briegel's Albania claiming a 3-1 victory in the Shkoder return.
- No matches were played between Albania and the USSR.

### Russia v Belgium

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
22/06/2014	FIFA World Cup	Rio de Janeiro (BRA)	Belgium - Russia	1 - 0
14/06/2002	FIFA World Cup	Shizuoka (JPN)	Belgium - Russia	3 - 2
15/06/1986	FIFA World Cup	Leon (MEX)	Belgium - USSR	4 - 3 (aet)
01/07/1982	FIFA World Cup	Barcelona (ESP)	Belgium - USSR	0 - 1
06/06/1970	FIFA World Cup	Mexico City (MEX)	USSR - Belgium	4 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	5	2	0	3	10	9
Friendlies	4	2	1	1	2	2

- Belgium defeated Russia 1-0 in the 2014 FIFA World Cup group stage, Divock Origi's 88th-minute winner in Rio de Janeiro helping his team to progress as group winners and send their opponents home early.
- Belgium also got the better of Russia in the 2002 World Cup group stage, winning 3-2 in Shizuoka. The decisive goal came from current Belgium head coach Marc Wilmots.
- There were three meetings at the World Cup finals between Belgium and the USSR, the most famous in Leon at Mexico '86, where Belgium prevailed 4-3 after extra time to reach the quarter-finals.

**Russia v Czech Republic****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
08/06/2012	UEFA EURO	Wroclaw (POL)	Russia - Czech Republic	4 - 1
19/06/1996	UEFA EURO	Liverpool (ENG)	Russia - Czech Republic	3 - 3
29/11/1981	FIFA World Cup	Bratislava (SVK)	Czechoslovakia - USSR	1 - 1
28/10/1981	FIFA World Cup	Tbilisi (GEO)	USSR - Czechoslovakia	2 - 0
22/05/1976	UEFA EURO	Kyiv (UKR)	USSR - Czechoslovakia	2 - 2 (agg: 2-4)
24/04/1976	UEFA EURO	Bratislava (SVK)	Czechoslovakia - USSR	2 - 0
06/07/1960	UEFA EURO	Marseille (FRA)	Czechoslovakia - USSR	0 - 3

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	5	2	2	1	12	8
World Cup	2	1	1	0	3	1
Friendlies	7	4	2	1	13	7

- Russia defeated the Czech Republic 4-1 in their opening match of UEFA EURO 2012 in Wroclaw, Alan Dzagoev scoring twice. However, subsequent results meant the Czechs qualified for the quarter-finals while Russia went home after three matches.
- The countries' only previous meeting came at EURO '96, when an exciting 3-3 draw at Anfield in the final group game enabled the Czechs to advance to the quarter-finals at Italy's expense. The final equalising goal came from Vladimír Šmicer a minute from time after Russia had recovered from two goals down to lead 3-2.
- The USSR beat Czechoslovakia 3-0 in the semi-finals of the inaugural UEFA European Championship in 1960, with two goals from Valentin Ivanov and one from Viktor Ponedelnik.

**Russia v England****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
17/10/2007	UEFA EURO	Moscow (RUS)	Russia - England	2 - 1
12/09/2007	UEFA EURO	London (ENG)	England - Russia	3 - 0
18/06/1988	UEFA EURO	Frankfurt am Main (GER)	England - USSR	1 - 3
08/06/1968	UEFA EURO	Rome (ITA)	England - USSR	2 - 0
17/06/1958	FIFA World Cup	Gothenburg (SWE)	USSR - England	1 - 0
08/06/1958	FIFA World Cup	Gothenburg (SWE)	USSR - England	2 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	2	0	2	5	7
World Cup	2	1	1	0	3	2
Friendlies	8	1	3	4	9	16

- Russia got the better of England in qualifying for UEFA EURO 2008, finishing second in the group behind Croatia, who won 3-2 at Wembley in their final qualifier to eliminate Steve McClaren's team.
- In the two direct confrontations England won 3-0 at Wembley thanks to a couple of Michael Owen goals but lost 2-1 in Moscow. Roman Pavlyuchenko scored twice after England had led 1-0, through Wayne Rooney, at half-time.
- The Soviet Union defeated England 3-1 in Frankfurt at EURO '88 to send Bobby Robson's side home with three successive defeats; Valeriy Lobanovskiy's victors went on to reach the final.

**Russia v France****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
05/06/1999	UEFA EURO	Saint-Denis (FRA)	France - Russia	2 - 3
10/10/1998	UEFA EURO	Moscow (RUS)	Russia - France	2 - 3
09/09/1987	UEFA EURO	Moscow (RUS)	USSR - France	1 - 1
11/10/1986	UEFA EURO	Paris (FRA)	France - USSR	0 - 2
05/06/1986	FIFA World Cup	Leon (MEX)	France - USSR	1 - 1
26/05/1973	FIFA World Cup	Moscow (RUS)	USSR - France	2 - 0
13/10/1972	FIFA World Cup	Paris (FRA)	France - USSR	1 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	2	1	1	8	6
World Cup	3	1	1	1	3	2
Friendlies	10	3	5	2	14	13

- Russia were the first team to defeat France at the Stade de France, their 3-2 win on 5 June 1999 ending the hosts' 27-match unbeaten run at the national stadium.
- A 1-1 draw between Russia and Ukraine, coupled with France's 3-2 victory over Iceland, in the last round of UEFA EURO 2000 qualifiers sealed Les Bleus' place at the finals, where they would go on to claim the trophy; Ukraine would have topped the group had they won.
- The two countries have not met since April 2002, when they drew 0-0 in Saint-Denis – the only time in five encounters there has not been a winner, with each side posting two victories.

**Russia v Germany****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
10/10/2009	FIFA World Cup	Moscow (RUS)	Russia - Germany	0 - 1
11/10/2008	FIFA World Cup	Dortmund (GER)	Germany - Russia	2 - 1
16/06/1996	UEFA EURO	Manchester (ENG)	Russia - Germany	0 - 3
12/06/1992	UEFA EURO	Norrkoping (SWE)	USSR - Germany	1 - 1
18/06/1972	UEFA EURO	Brussels (BEL)	Germany - USSR	3 - 0
25/07/1966	FIFA World Cup	Liverpool (ENG)	Germany - USSR	2 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	3	0	1	2	1	7
World Cup	3	0	0	3	2	5
Friendlies	13	3	1	9	12	36

- One goal from Matthias Sammer and two from Jürgen Klinsmann gave Germany a 3-0 win over Russia in their second group game of EURO '96.
- The first official meeting of the countries was in 1912, at the Stockholm Olympics 'consolation tournament' (for early-round fallers), where Germany beat Tsarist Russia 16-0. Ten of the goals were scored by one player – Gottfried Fuchs.
- The most recent fixtures came in qualification for the 2010 FIFA World Cup, with Germany winning both matches – 2-1 in Dortmund and 1-0 in Moscow.
- West Germany defeated the USSR 3-0 to claim their first UEFA European Championship title in the 1972 final in Brussels.

**Russia v Hungary****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
08/09/1993	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Hungary - Russia	1 - 3
28/04/1993	FIFA World Cup	Moscow (RUS)	Russia - Hungary	3 - 0
25/09/1991	UEFA EURO	Moscow (RUS)	USSR - Hungary	2 - 2
17/04/1991	UEFA EURO	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - USSR	0 - 1
02/06/1986	FIFA World Cup	Irapuato (MEX)	USSR - Hungary	6 - 0
19/05/1979	UEFA EURO	Tbilisi (GEO)	USSR - Hungary	2 - 2
11/10/1978	UEFA EURO	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - USSR	2 - 0
18/05/1977	FIFA World Cup	Tbilisi (GEO)	USSR - Hungary	2 - 0
30/04/1977	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Hungary - USSR	2 - 1
14/06/1972	UEFA EURO	Brussels (BEL)	Hungary - USSR	0 - 1
11/05/1968	UEFA EURO	Moscow (RUS)	USSR - Hungary	3 - 0 (agg: 3-2)
04/05/1968	UEFA EURO	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - USSR	2 - 0
23/07/1966	FIFA World Cup	Sunderland (ENG)	USSR - Hungary	2 - 1
27/09/1959	UEFA EURO	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - USSR	0 - 1 (agg: 1-4)
28/09/1958	UEFA EURO	Moscow (RUS)	USSR - Hungary	3 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	9	5	2	2	13	9
World Cup	6	5	0	1	17	4
Friendlies	10	4	4	2	15	21

- Russia did the double over Hungary in their first major tournament following the dissolution of the USSR, winning both USA '94 FIFA World Cup qualifiers – 3-0 in Moscow and 3-1 in Budapest. There have been no subsequent competitive meetings.

- Russia were victorious again when the teams contested a friendly at Budapest's newly constructed Groupama Aréna in November 2014. Sergei Ignashevich and Aleksandr Kerzhakov scored for the visitors before Nemanja Nikolić pulled one back for the hosts.

- Hungary were defeated 1-0 by the USSR in the last four of the 1972 UEFA European Championship in Belgium. They have not returned to the EURO finals since.

**Russia v Iceland****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
09/06/1999	UEFA EURO	Moscow (RUS)	Russia - Iceland	1 - 0
14/10/1998	UEFA EURO	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Russia	1 - 0
02/06/1993	FIFA World Cup	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Russia	1 - 1
14/10/1992	FIFA World Cup	Moscow (RUS)	Russia - Iceland	1 - 0
31/05/1989	FIFA World Cup	Moscow (RUS)	USSR - Iceland	1 - 1
31/08/1988	FIFA World Cup	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - USSR	1 - 1
28/10/1987	UEFA EURO	Simferopol (UKR)	USSR - Iceland	2 - 0
24/09/1986	UEFA EURO	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - USSR	1 - 1
15/10/1980	FIFA World Cup	Moscow (RUS)	USSR - Iceland	5 - 0
03/09/1980	FIFA World Cup	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - USSR	1 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	2	1	1	4	2
World Cup	6	3	3	0	11	4
Friendlies	2	2	0	0	5	0

- Iceland have faced Russia on six occasions, the same number of games they played against the USSR. They have won just once against both opponents, beating Russia 1-0 in a UEFA EURO 2000 qualifier.
- Russia won the return fixture 1-0 but finished only third in their group, behind France and Ukraine, and failed to qualify for the finals in Belgium and the Netherlands.
- There has been just one match played between the countries this century – a 2-0 win for Russia in Marbella, Spain in February 2013. Roman Shirokov and Oleg Shatov scored the goals.

**Russia v Northern Ireland****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
14/08/2013	FIFA World Cup	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Russia	1 - 0
07/09/2012	FIFA World Cup	Moscow (RUS)	Russia - Northern Ireland	2 - 0
13/10/1971	UEFA EURO	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - USSR	1 - 1
22/09/1971	UEFA EURO	Moscow (RUS)	USSR - Northern Ireland	1 - 0
22/10/1969	FIFA World Cup	Moscow (RUS)	USSR - Northern Ireland	2 - 0
10/09/1969	FIFA World Cup	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - USSR	0 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	1	1	0	2	1
World Cup	4	2	1	1	4	1
Friendlies	-	-	-	-	-	-

- The countries met for the first time in 2014 FIFA World Cup qualifying, Russia winning the first fixture 2-0 in Moscow in Fabio Capello's first competitive game as head coach.
- Capello's side succumbed to a 1-0 defeat in the Belfast return – a game postponed for five months because of bad weather. Martin Paterson scored the winning goal.
- Four qualifiers between the USSR and Northern Ireland brought two home wins for the former and a pair of draws in Belfast.

**Russia v Poland****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
12/06/2012	UEFA EURO	Warsaw (POL)	Poland - Russia	1 - 1
09/10/1983	UEFA EURO	Moscow (RUS)	USSR - Poland	2 - 0
22/05/1983	UEFA EURO	Chorzow (POL)	Poland - USSR	1 - 1
04/07/1982	FIFA World Cup	Barcelona (ESP)	Poland - USSR	0 - 0
24/11/1957	FIFA World Cup	Leipzig (GER)	USSR - Poland	2 - 0
20/10/1957	FIFA World Cup	Chorzow (POL)	Poland - USSR	2 - 1
23/06/1957	FIFA World Cup	Moscow (RUS)	USSR - Poland	3 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	3	1	2	0	4	2
World Cup	4	2	1	1	6	2
Friendlies	8	4	2	2	19	10

- Jakub Błaszczykowski scored his first international goal when Poland came from behind to draw 2-2 with Russia in an August 2007 friendly in Moscow. His spectacular strike also salvaged a point for the UEFA EURO 2012 co-hosts in their group game against Russia, for whom Alan Dzagoev had opened the scoring.
- That 2012 encounter in Warsaw was the nations' first competitive fixture, but the USSR were frequent opponents for Poland. A 0-0 draw in Barcelona sealed the latter's semi-final place at the 1982 FIFA World Cup.
- Russia striker Viktor Ponedelnik hit a hat-trick as the USSR beat Poland 7-1 in a friendly ahead of the 1960 UEFA European Championship. Ponedelnik also got the winner in the final against Yugoslavia.

**Russia v Portugal****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
07/06/2013	FIFA World Cup	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Russia	1 - 0
12/10/2012	FIFA World Cup	Moscow (RUS)	Russia - Portugal	1 - 0
07/09/2005	FIFA World Cup	Moscow (RUS)	Russia - Portugal	0 - 0
13/10/2004	FIFA World Cup	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Russia	7 - 1
16/06/2004	UEFA EURO	Lisbon (POR)	Russia - Portugal	0 - 2
13/11/1983	UEFA EURO	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - USSR	1 - 0
27/04/1983	UEFA EURO	Moscow (RUS)	USSR - Portugal	5 - 0
28/07/1966	FIFA World Cup	London (ENG)	Portugal - USSR	2 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	3	1	0	2	5	3
World Cup	5	1	1	3	3	10
Friendlies	2	1	0	1	1	1

- Portugal won 2-0 when these sides met for the first time at UEFA EURO 2004. Maniche's first international goal and a late Rui Costa strike sealed group stage elimination for a Russia side who had goalkeeper Sergei Ovchinnikov sent off.
- Four months later Cristiano Ronaldo struck twice as Portugal defeated Russia 7-1 in a FIFA World Cup qualifier in Lisbon. That remains Russia's heaviest defeat.
- Both teams won their home fixture 1-0 in 2014 World Cup qualifying, Aleksandr Kerzhakov scoring in Moscow and Hélder Postiga in Lisbon. A November 2015 friendly had the same outcome, Russia's Roman Shirokov providing the only goal in the 89th minute in Krasnodar.
- Portugal internationals Danny and Luís Neto are club colleagues of several Russian internationals at Zenit.



**Russia v Republic of Ireland****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
06/09/2011	UEFA EURO	Moscow (RUS)	Russia - Republic of Ireland	0 - 0
08/10/2010	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Russia	2 - 3
06/09/2003	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Russia	1 - 1
07/09/2002	UEFA EURO	Moscow (RUS)	Russia - Republic of Ireland	4 - 2
15/06/1988	UEFA EURO	Hanover (GER)	Republic of Ireland - USSR	1 - 1
16/10/1985	FIFA World Cup	Moscow (RUS)	USSR - Republic of Ireland	2 - 0
12/09/1984	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - USSR	1 - 0
18/05/1975	UEFA EURO	Kyiv (UKR)	USSR - Republic of Ireland	2 - 1
30/10/1974	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - USSR	3 - 0
13/05/1973	FIFA World Cup	Moscow (RUS)	USSR - Republic of Ireland	1 - 0
18/10/1972	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - USSR	1 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	7	3	3	1	11	10
World Cup	4	3	0	1	5	2
Friendlies	4	1	1	2	2	3

- The teams met in UEFA EURO 2012 qualifying, Russia winning 3-2 in Dublin through goals from Aleksandr Kerzhakov, Alan Dzagoev and Roman Shirokov. They then drew 0-0 in Moscow to top the group; runners-up Ireland qualified via the play-offs.
- Russia also took four points off Ireland during UEFA EURO 2004 qualifying. Kerzhakov was again among the scorers in a 4-2 home win, Sergei Ignashevich getting the equaliser in the subsequent 1-1 draw in Dublin.
- Ireland's only victory in seven meetings came in February 2002 in a Dublin friendly, Robbie Keane scoring the second goal in a 2-0 win.

**Russia v Romania****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
09/06/1990	FIFA World Cup	Bari (ITA)	USSR - Romania	0 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	1	0	0	1	0	2
Friendlies	9	4	2	3	13	11

- The only official encounter between the countries was a March 2008 friendly in Bucharest, Romania winning 3-0 with Ciprian Marica opening the scoring. Romania's 4-2 win in Limassol in 2003 is not recognised as an official international by the Romanian Football Federation (FRF).
- Romania and the USSR met in the 1990 FIFA World Cup group stage, the nations' only major tournament encounter. Romania won 2-0 in Bari, with two goals from Marius Lăcătuș.

**Russia v Slovakia****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
07/10/2011	UEFA EURO	Zilina (SVK)	Slovakia - Russia	0 - 1
07/09/2010	UEFA EURO	Moscow (RUS)	Russia - Slovakia	0 - 1
12/10/2005	FIFA World Cup	Bratislava (SVK)	Slovakia - Russia	0 - 0
04/09/2004	FIFA World Cup	Moscow (RUS)	Russia - Slovakia	1 - 1
29/11/1981	FIFA World Cup	Bratislava (SVK)	Czechoslovakia - USSR	1 - 1
28/10/1981	FIFA World Cup	Tbilisi (GEO)	USSR - Czechoslovakia	2 - 0
22/05/1976	UEFA EURO	Kyiv (UKR)	USSR - Czechoslovakia	2 - 2 (agg: 2-4)
24/04/1976	UEFA EURO	Bratislava (SVK)	Czechoslovakia - USSR	2 - 0
06/07/1960	UEFA EURO	Marseille (FRA)	Czechoslovakia - USSR	0 - 3

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	5	2	1	2	6	5
World Cup	4	1	3	0	4	2
Friendlies	11	6	3	2	18	11

- The nations met in UEFA EURO 2012 qualifying, each losing 1-0 at home. Miroslav Stoch was on target for Slovakia in Moscow; Alan Dzagoev scored Russia's winner in Zilina.
- There had been nothing to choose between the teams either in the 2006 FIFA World Cup qualifiers, a 1-1 draw in Moscow followed by a goalless stalemate in Bratislava.
- Aleksandr Kerzhakov scored the only goal, his 25th for Russia, in the most recent encounter – a St Petersburg friendly in May 2014.

**Russia v Spain****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
26/06/2008	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Russia - Spain	0 - 3
10/06/2008	UEFA EURO	Innsbruck (AUT)	Spain - Russia	4 - 1
12/06/2004	UEFA EURO	Faro-Loule (POR)	Spain - Russia	1 - 0
27/10/1971	UEFA EURO	Seville (ESP)	Spain - USSR	0 - 0
30/05/1971	UEFA EURO	Moscow (RUS)	USSR - Spain	2 - 1
21/06/1964	UEFA EURO	Madrid (ESP)	Spain - USSR	2 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	6	1	1	4	4	11
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	4	0	2	2	1	4

- The nations met twice at UEFA EURO 2008, Luis Aragonés's Spain starting their march to the title with a 4-1 group victory over Guus Hiddink's Russia before beating them again, 3-0 in the semi-finals.
- Spain also overcame Russia 1-0 in their opening game of UEFA EURO 2004, substitute Juan Carlos Valerón scoring less than a minute after coming on. Neither team made it through to the quarter-finals.
- Marcelino scored the 84th-minute winner as Spain beat holders the USSR 2-1 in the 1964 final in Madrid. The countries had been drawn to meet in the quarter-finals in 1960, but Spain refused to travel to the Soviet Union on political grounds and withdrew.

**Russia v Sweden****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
05/09/2015	UEFA EURO	Moscow (RUS)	Russia - Sweden	1 - 0
09/10/2014	UEFA EURO	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Russia	1 - 1
18/06/2008	UEFA EURO	Innsbruck (AUT)	Russia - Sweden	2 - 0
24/06/1994	FIFA World Cup	Detroit (USA)	Sweden - Russia	3 - 1
27/05/1964	UEFA EURO	Moscow (RUS)	USSR - Sweden	3 - 1 (agg: 4-2)
13/05/1964	UEFA EURO	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - USSR	1 - 1
19/06/1958	FIFA World Cup	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - USSR	2 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	5	3	2	0	8	3
World Cup	2	0	0	2	1	5
Friendlies	18	6	6	6	37	25

- Russia had the edge over Sweden in the UEFA EURO 2016 qualifiers, drawing 1-1 in Solna and winning the return fixture in Moscow with a single goal from their top scorer, Artem Dzyuba. Russia finished second in the group behind Austria while third-placed Sweden qualified via the play-offs.
- The nations also met in the final group game at UEFA EURO 2008, Russia winning 2-0 in Innsbruck thanks to goals from Roman Pavlyuchenko and Andrey Arshavin. That took them into the quarter-finals at the expense of a Sweden side that had needed just a draw to progress.
- Sweden had beaten Russia 3-1 in Detroit at the 1994 FIFA World Cup.
- Sweden's Pontus Wernbloom (CSKA Moskva) and Andreas Granqvist (Krasnodar) play their club football in Russia.

**Russia v Turkey****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
15/11/1989	FIFA World Cup	Simferopol (UKR)	USSR - Turkey	2 - 0
10/05/1989	FIFA World Cup	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - USSR	0 - 1
07/10/1981	FIFA World Cup	Izmir (TUR)	Turkey - USSR	0 - 3
23/09/1981	FIFA World Cup	Moscow (RUS)	USSR - Turkey	4 - 0
23/11/1975	UEFA EURO	Izmir (TUR)	Turkey - USSR	1 - 0
02/04/1975	UEFA EURO	Kyiv (UKR)	USSR - Turkey	3 - 0
16/11/1969	FIFA World Cup	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - USSR	1 - 3
15/10/1969	FIFA World Cup	Kyiv (UKR)	USSR - Turkey	3 - 0
12/11/1961	FIFA World Cup	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - USSR	1 - 2
18/06/1961	FIFA World Cup	Moscow (RUS)	USSR - Turkey	1 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	1	0	1	3	1
World Cup	8	8	0	0	19	2
Friendlies	4	3	0	1	4	2

- Turkey failed to score in their last five internationals against the USSR and have prolonged that barren sequence in their two fixtures against Russia.
- Yet to meet competitively, Russia and Turkey have played two friendlies. Russia won both 1-0 – in Bursa in April 1994, when Fatih Terim, as now, was the Turkey head coach, and in Moscow four years later.

**Russia v Wales****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
09/09/2009	FIFA World Cup	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Russia	1 - 3
10/09/2008	FIFA World Cup	Moscow (RUS)	Russia - Wales	2 - 1
19/11/2003	UEFA EURO	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Russia	0 - 1 (agg: 0-1)
15/11/2003	UEFA EURO	Moscow (RUS)	Russia - Wales	0 - 0
18/11/1981	FIFA World Cup	Tbilisi (GEO)	USSR - Wales	3 - 0
30/05/1981	FIFA World Cup	Wrexham (WAL)	Wales - USSR	0 - 0
27/10/1965	FIFA World Cup	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - USSR	2 - 1
30/05/1965	FIFA World Cup	Moscow (RUS)	USSR - Wales	2 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	1	1	0	1	0
World Cup	6	4	1	1	11	5
Friendlies	1	0	1	0	0	0

- Georgi Yartsev's Russia qualified for UEFA EURO 2004 after overcoming Mark Hughes' Wales 1-0 on aggregate in a play-off. The only goal came from Vadim Yevseev at the Millennium Stadium in the second leg.
- Russia also got the better of Wales in 2010 FIFA World Cup qualifying, winning 2-1 in Moscow and 3-1 in Cardiff, where defender Sergei Ignashevich was among the scorers. It proved in vain, however, as Guus Hiddink's side lost in the play-offs to Slovenia.
- Wales' only win in five games against the USSR came in a 1966 World Cup qualifier, Ivor Allchurch scoring the late winner in Cardiff (2-1).

## Switzerland

### Switzerland - Team profile

**Best result:** group stage 1996, 2004, 2008

**Coach:** Vladimir Petković

**Leading scorers:** all-time – Alexander Frei (42); current – Xherdan Shaqiri (17)

**Most appearances:** all-time – Heinz Hermann (118); current – Gökhan Inler (89)

**Association formed:** 1895

**Nickname:** Schweizer Nati/Nati Suisse (Swiss national team)

**Where they play:** Stade de Suisse, Berne; St. Jakob-Park, Basel

Switzerland, the country that provides the headquarters for both FIFA and UEFA, made it three successive FIFA World Cup participations when they competed in Brazil in 2014, having topped their qualifying group with seven wins and three draws in their ten matches. Their route to UEFA EURO 2016 was less straightforward, incorporating three defeats, but they eventually finished as comfortable Group E runners-up to England. All three of the country's UEFA European Championship final tournament appearances have resulted in group stage elimination, including the 2008 event they co-hosted with Austria.

#### EURO pedigree

##### Matches played

**Overall:** P101 W40 D24 L37 F158 A129

**Final tournament:** P9 W1 D2 L6 F5 A13

**Qualifying:** P92 W39 D22 L31 F153 A116

For years, Switzerland were subject to a stream of slender defeats, until the appointment of Roy Hodgson signalled a change in fortunes. Having qualified for the 1994 World Cup, their first in 28 years, Hodgson then led the team to EURO '96 after topping a section containing Turkey and Sweden, although Artur Jorge took charge for the final tournament. They kicked off their finals by drawing 1-1 with hosts England, before consecutive defeats against the Netherlands and Scotland ended their campaign.

Switzerland qualified again in 2004 under Jakob 'Köbi' Kuhn but garnered only one point, although Johan Vonlanthen did become the EURO's youngest goalscorer in a 3-1 defeat by France. They co-hosted the tournament with Austria in 2008 but failed to make home advantage count, losing against the Czech Republic and Turkey before overcoming Portugal 2-0. Opening defeats by England and Montenegro, and a campaign that yielded only two away points, undermined their UEFA EURO 2012 qualifying hopes, Switzerland finishing third in Group B.

#### Memorable EURO matches

##### 15/06/2008: Switzerland 2-0 Portugal, UEFA EURO 2008 group stage

Hakan Yakin's double earned the co-hosts their maiden EURO final tournament victory.

##### 08/06/1996: England 1-1 Switzerland, EURO '96 group stage

Kubilay Türkyilmaz's 83rd-minute spot kick ensured Switzerland's first EURO finals match ended all square.

##### 24/05/1967: Switzerland 7-1 Romania, 1968 UEFA European Championship qualifying

Rolf Blättler, Fritz Künzli and René-Pierre Quentin scored two apiece in a resounding win.

#### Did you know?

Yakin scored all three of Switzerland's goals at UEFA EURO 2008, where they became only the second host nation after Belgium in 2000 to exit after the group stage. They were soon joined by a third as co-hosts Austria also bowed out.

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## Switzerland - Coach profile

### Vladimir Petković

**Date of birth:** 15 August 1963

**Nationality:** Swiss

**Playing career:** FK Sarajevo (twice), FK Rudar Ljubija, FC Koper, FC Chur 97 (twice), FC Sion, FC Martigny-Sports, AC Bellinzona (twice), FC Locarno

**Coaching career:** AC Bellinzona (twice), FC Malcantone Agno, AC Lugano, BSC Young Boys, Samsunspor, FC Sion, SS Lazio, Switzerland

- Started his career in midfield with Sarajevo, losing in the 1983 Yugoslavian Cup final but featuring twice as his team took the 1984/85 league title, the only major honour of his playing days. Moved to Switzerland in 1987, playing for second-tier Chur and then ascending to the top flight with Sion in 1988/89; returned to the second division to represent Martigny, Bellinzona and Locarno.
- Petković hung up his boots in 1999, aged 36, following a season as player-coach at Bellinzona. Then led Malcantone Agno to promotion from the third division in 2002/03 before becoming the first coach of AC Lugano – successors to FC Lugano.
- Rejoined Bellinzona in October 2005, steering them to the 2007/08 Swiss Cup final, where they lost 4-1 to FC Basel 1893, but consolation came two weeks later as victory in a relegation/promotion play-off against FC St Gallen gave Bellinzona a Super League berth.
- Was appointed Young Boys coach in August 2008, guiding them to second-placed finishes in his first two campaigns in charge as well the 2008/09 Swiss Cup final. After short spells in charge of Turkey's Samsunspor and Sion back in Switzerland, was named Lazio coach in June 2012 and won the Coppa Italia in his first term in Italy, also helping the side to seventh position in the final standings.
- Left in January 2014 after being anointed Switzerland coach Ottmar Hitzfeld's successor, taking the reins after the 2014 FIFA World Cup. Promptly guided his charges to UEFA EURO 2016.

## Switzerland - Team facts

### EURO record

	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
Overall	101	40	24	37	158	129
Final tournament	9	1	2	6	5	13
Qualifying	92	39	22	31	153	116

### UEFA European Championship records: Switzerland

#### History

2012 – did not qualify  
 2008 – group stage  
 2004 – group stage  
 2000 – did not qualify  
 1996 – group stage  
 1992 – did not qualify  
 1988 – did not qualify  
 1984 – did not qualify  
 1980 – did not qualify  
 1976 – did not qualify  
 1972 – did not qualify  
 1968 – did not qualify  
 1964 – did not qualify  
 1960 – did not qualify

#### Final tournament win

**2-0:** Switzerland v Portugal, 15/06/08

#### Final tournament loss

**3-0:** England v Switzerland, 17/06/04

#### Qualifying win

**7-0:** Switzerland v San Marino, 09/10/15

**7-0:** Switzerland v San Marino, 05/06/91

#### Qualifying defeat

**4-0:** Italy v Switzerland, 23/12/67

#### Final tournament appearances

**6:** Hakan Yakin

**6:** Patrick Müller

**5:** Stéphane Chapuisat

**5:** Stéphane Henchoz

**5:** Johann Vogel

**5:** Johan Vonlanthen

#### Final tournament goals

**3:** Hakan Yakin

**1:** Kubilay Türkyilmaz

**1:** Johan Vonlanthen

#### Overall appearances

**29:** Stéphane Chapuisat

**27:** Heinz Hermann

**24:** Alain Geiger

**22:** Stéphane Henchoz

**21:** Johann Vogel

#### Overall goals

**9:** Kubilay Türkyilmaz

**8:** Fritz Künzli

**8:** Xherdan Shaqiri

**7:** Adrian Knup

**6:** Stéphane Chapuisat

6: Hakan Yakin

**UEFA EURO and FIFA World Cup campaigns**

Season	Competition	Result	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
2016	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	10	7	0	3	24	8
2014	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	10	7	3	0	17	6
2012	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	8	3	2	3	12	10
2010	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	3	1	1	1	1	1
2010	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	10	6	3	1	18	8
2008	EURO finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 4th in group	3	1	0	2	3	3
2006	World Cup finals	Round of 16	4	2	2	0	4	0
2006	World Cup qualifying	Play-off for Final Tournament (qualified)	12	5	6	1	22	11
2004	EURO finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 4th in group	3	0	1	2	1	6
2004	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	8	4	3	1	15	11
2002	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 4th in group	10	4	2	4	18	12
2000	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 3rd in group	8	4	2	2	9	5
1998	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 4th in group	8	3	1	4	11	12
1996	EURO finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 4th in group	3	0	1	2	1	4
1996	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 1st in group (qualified)	8	5	2	1	15	7
1994	World Cup finals	Round of 16	4	1	1	2	5	7
1994	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group (qualified)	10	6	3	1	23	6
1992	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 2nd in group	8	4	2	2	19	7
1990	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 4th in group	8	2	1	5	10	14
1988	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 4th in group	8	1	5	2	9	9
1986	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	8	2	4	2	5	10
1984	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 2nd in group	6	2	2	2	7	9
1982	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 4th in group	8	2	3	3	9	12
1980	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 4th in group	8	2	0	6	7	18
1978	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	4	1	0	3	3	5
1976	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 4th in group	6	1	1	4	5	10
1974	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	6	2	2	2	2	4
1972	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 2nd in group	6	4	1	1	12	5
1970	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	6	2	1	3	5	8
1968	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 3rd in group	6	2	1	3	17	13
1966	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 4th in group	3	0	0	3	1	9
1966	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	6	4	1	1	7	3
1964	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round	2	0	1	1	2	4
1962	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 4th in group	3	0	0	3	2	8
1962	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	5	4	0	1	11	10
1958	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	4	0	1	3	6	11
1954	World Cup finals	Quarter-finals	4	2	0	2	11	11
1950	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	3	1	1	1	4	6
1950	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	2	2	0	0	8	4
1938	World Cup finals	Quarter-finals	3	1	1	1	5	5
1938	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	1	1	0	0	2	1
1934	World Cup finals	Quarter-finals	2	1	0	1	5	5
1934	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	2	1	1	0	4	2



## Switzerland - Head to head against teams in other pots

### Switzerland v Albania

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
11/10/2013	FIFA World Cup	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Switzerland	1 - 2
11/09/2012	FIFA World Cup	Lucerne (SUI)	Switzerland - Albania	2 - 0
11/06/2003	UEFA EURO	Geneva (SUI)	Switzerland - Albania	3 - 2
12/10/2002	UEFA EURO	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Switzerland	1 - 1
02/05/1965	FIFA World Cup	Geneva (SUI)	Switzerland - Albania	1 - 0
11/04/1965	FIFA World Cup	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Switzerland	0 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	1	1	0	4	3
World Cup	4	4	0	0	7	1
Friendlies	-	-	-	-	-	-

- Switzerland are unbeaten in their six internationals against Albania, winning five. The teams' most recent encounters took place in 2014 FIFA World Cup qualifying, Gianni De Biasi's Albania losing 2-0 in Lucerne and 2-1 in Tirana. Xherdan Shaqiri, who has Albanian roots, scored for Switzerland in both matches.
- Several current Albanian internationals play for Swiss clubs, including three apiece at champions Basel (Shkëlzen Gashi, Taulant Xhaka and Naser Aliji) and FC Zürich (Berat Djimsiti, Burim Kukeli and Armando Sadiku).
- Switzerland-born Taulant Xhaka has opted to represent Albania at international level; younger brother Granit plays for Switzerland.

### Switzerland v Belgium

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
11/10/1989	FIFA World Cup	Basel (SUI)	Switzerland - Belgium	2 - 2
19/10/1988	FIFA World Cup	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Switzerland	1 - 0
09/11/1983	UEFA EURO	Berne (SUI)	Switzerland - Belgium	3 - 1
06/10/1982	UEFA EURO	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Switzerland	3 - 0
20/05/1961	FIFA World Cup	Lausanne (SUI)	Switzerland - Belgium	2 - 1
20/11/1960	FIFA World Cup	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Switzerland	2 - 4

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	1	0	1	3	4
World Cup	4	2	1	1	8	6
Friendlies	20	5	6	9	27	39

- The nations last met in qualifying for the 1990 FIFA World Cup. Belgium had the better of things, following a 1-0 win in Brussels with a 2-2 draw in Basel to reach the finals as group winners.
- Both countries were eliminated by Argentina at the 2014 World Cup, losing 1-0 in successive knockout rounds – Switzerland in the last 16 and Belgium in the quarter-finals.
- The nations' only two UEFA European Championship encounters came in the 1984 preliminaries. Both teams won their home qualifiers: Belgium 3-0 in Brussels and Switzerland 3-1 in Berne.

**Switzerland v Czech Republic****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
07/06/2008	UEFA EURO	Basel (SUI)	Switzerland - Czech Republic	0 - 1
25/10/1989	FIFA World Cup	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Switzerland	3 - 0
07/06/1989	FIFA World Cup	Berne (SUI)	Switzerland - Czechoslovakia	0 - 1
31/05/1934	FIFA World Cup	Rome (ITA)	Czechoslovakia - Switzerland	3 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	1	0	0	1	0	1
World Cup	3	0	0	3	2	7
Friendlies	25	7	5	13	38	55

- The Czech Republic were UEFA EURO 2008 co-hosts Switzerland's opening match opponents in Basel and spoiled their party by claiming a 1-0 win through Václav Svěrkoš's 71st-minute goal. Neither of the teams reached the knockout phase.
- Prior to that first competitive meeting there were three friendlies between the countries in the 1990s; Switzerland won the first and the Czech Republic the next two.
- Czech goalkeeper Tomáš Vaclík and defender Marek Suchý both play for Swiss champions Basel alongside Swiss internationals Breel Embolo, Michael Lang and Luca Zuffi.

**Switzerland v England****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
08/09/2015	UEFA EURO	London (ENG)	England - Switzerland	2 - 0
08/09/2014	UEFA EURO	Basel (SUI)	Switzerland - England	0 - 2
04/06/2011	UEFA EURO	London (ENG)	England - Switzerland	2 - 2
07/09/2010	UEFA EURO	Basel (SUI)	Switzerland - England	1 - 3
17/06/2004	UEFA EURO	Coimbra (POR)	England - Switzerland	3 - 0
08/06/1996	UEFA EURO	London (ENG)	England - Switzerland	1 - 1
30/05/1981	FIFA World Cup	Basel (SUI)	Switzerland - England	2 - 1
19/11/1980	FIFA World Cup	London (ENG)	England - Switzerland	2 - 1
10/11/1971	UEFA EURO	London (ENG)	England - Switzerland	1 - 1
13/10/1971	UEFA EURO	Basel (SUI)	Switzerland - England	2 - 3
20/06/1954	FIFA World Cup	Berne (SUI)	England - Switzerland	2 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	8	0	3	5	7	17
World Cup	3	1	0	2	3	5
Friendlies	13	2	2	9	9	34

- England defeated Switzerland twice in UEFA EURO 2016 qualifying, winning both matches 2-0. Danny Welbeck scored both goals in Basel and Harry Kane and Wayne Rooney, with his record-breaking 50th international strike, were on target at Wembley.
- The teams met in the opening match of EURO '96, where a late Kubilay Türkyilmaz penalty held the hosts to a 1-1 draw at Wembley following Alan Shearer's opener.
- The only other meeting at a EURO final tournament came in 2004, when England prevailed 3-0 in a group game in Coimbra, 18-year-old Rooney scoring twice.
- England manager Roy Hodgson was the head coach of Switzerland from 1992–95.
- Switzerland regulars Gökhan Inler (Leicester City), Xherdan Shaqiri (Stoke City) and Valon Behrami (Watford)

play in the Premier League.

## Switzerland v France

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
20/06/2014	FIFA World Cup	Salvador De Bahia (BRA)	Switzerland - France	2 - 5
13/06/2006	FIFA World Cup	Stuttgart (GER)	France - Switzerland	0 - 0
08/10/2005	FIFA World Cup	Berne (SUI)	Switzerland - France	1 - 1
26/03/2005	FIFA World Cup	Saint-Denis (FRA)	France - Switzerland	0 - 0
21/06/2004	UEFA EURO	Coimbra (POR)	Switzerland - France	1 - 3

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	1	0	0	1	1	3
World Cup	4	0	3	1	3	6
Friendlies	32	12	6	14	56	58

- The neighbouring countries had never met in a competitive fixture until the UEFA EURO 2004 finals – this after almost a century of friendly games, with 32 matches between 1905 and 2003.
- France won that encounter in Coimbra 3-1 to qualify for the EURO quarter-finals and eliminate the Swiss. Zinedine Zidane and Thierry Henry (two) scored the French goals, while Switzerland's consolation came from teenager Johan Vonlanthen, who became the UEFA European Championship's youngest ever marksman aged 18 years 141 days.
- The countries shared two draws en route to qualification for the 2006 FIFA World Cup, where they were paired again and played out another stalemate in their opening group encounter in Stuttgart.
- It was a different story when they faced off in the group stage of the 2014 World Cup in Brazil, France running out comprehensive 5-2 victors with five different goalscorers.

## Switzerland v Germany

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
12/07/1966	FIFA World Cup	Sheffield (ENG)	Germany - Switzerland	5 - 0
03/06/1962	FIFA World Cup	Santiago De Chile (CHI)	Germany - Switzerland	2 - 1
09/06/1938	FIFA World Cup	Paris (FRA)	Switzerland - Germany	4 - 2
04/06/1938	FIFA World Cup	Paris (FRA)	Switzerland - Germany	1 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	4	1	1	2	6	10
Friendlies	47	8	5	34	59	128

- There have been no competitive matches between the countries since the 1966 FIFA World Cup, when West Germany cruised to a 5-0 win in which Franz Beckenbauer scored twice.
- Switzerland ended an 18-game, 56-year wait for a victory over Germany when they defeated them 5-3 in a Basel friendly in May 2012. That was the teams' most recent meeting.
- Many of the regulars in Vladimir Petković's Switzerland side play in the German Bundesliga, including Borussia Mönchengladbach's Yann Sommer, Granit Xhaka and Josip Drmic, Wolfsburg's Timm Klose and Ricardo Rodriguez and Admir Mehmedi at Bayer Leverkusen – all clubs in the 2015/16 UEFA Champions League group stage.

**Switzerland v Hungary****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
20/08/1997	FIFA World Cup	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - Switzerland	1 - 1
30/04/1997	FIFA World Cup	Zurich (SUI)	Switzerland - Hungary	1 - 0
11/10/1995	UEFA EURO	Zurich (SUI)	Switzerland - Hungary	3 - 0
29/03/1995	UEFA EURO	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - Switzerland	2 - 2
14/10/1981	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Hungary - Switzerland	3 - 0
28/04/1981	FIFA World Cup	Lucerne (SUI)	Switzerland - Hungary	2 - 2
12/06/1938	FIFA World Cup	Villeneuve d'Ascq (FRA)	Hungary - Switzerland	2 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	1	1	0	5	2
World Cup	5	1	2	2	4	8
Friendlies	37	7	2	28	49	117

- Hungary and Switzerland have met on 44 occasions but not once in the past 18 years.
- Their most recent UEFA European Championship encounters came in the qualifying tournament for EURO '96, Switzerland reaching the finals in England thanks to a 2-2 away draw and a 3-0 home win. That was a role reversal from the 1982 FIFA World Cup qualifiers, Hungary advancing to Spain after a 2-2 draw in Lucerne and a 3-0 victory in Budapest.
- Long-serving Hungary defender Vilmos Vanczák has played for Swiss club Sion since 2007.

**Switzerland v Iceland****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
06/09/2013	FIFA World Cup	Berne (SUI)	Switzerland - Iceland	4 - 4
16/10/2012	FIFA World Cup	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Switzerland	0 - 2
16/08/1995	UEFA EURO	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Switzerland	0 - 2
16/11/1994	UEFA EURO	Lausanne (SUI)	Switzerland - Iceland	1 - 0
09/06/1979	UEFA EURO	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Switzerland	1 - 2
22/05/1979	UEFA EURO	Berne (SUI)	Switzerland - Iceland	2 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	4	0	0	7	1
World Cup	2	1	1	0	6	4
Friendlies	-	-	-	-	-	-

- Six qualifiers between the nations have produced five wins for Switzerland and one draw.
- It looked as if Switzerland would maintain their 100% record when the teams last met, in Berne for a 2014 FIFA World Cup qualifier, but Iceland recovered from 4-1 down to draw 4-4. Jóhann Gudmundsson completed the comeback – and his hat-trick – in added time.
- That draw helped Lars Lagerbäck's side take the runners-up spot in the group behind Ottmar Hitzfeld's table-topping Swiss. However, Iceland missed out on the tournament in Brazil, losing to Croatia in the play-offs.
- Iceland midfielder Birkir Bjarnason plays at Basel alongside Swiss internationals Breel Embolo, Michael Lang and Luca Zuffi.

**Switzerland v Northern Ireland****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
14/11/1964	FIFA World Cup	Lausanne (SUI)	Switzerland - Northern Ireland	2 - 1
14/10/1964	FIFA World Cup	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Switzerland	1 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	2	1	0	1	2	2
Friendlies	2	0	1	1	0	1

- Matches between the nations have been few and far between: the last competitive fixtures were more than half a century ago.
- There were home wins for both teams as Switzerland beat Northern Ireland to a place at the 1966 FIFA World Cup in England by a single point.
- The most recent encounter, a Zurich friendly in August 2004, ended goalless.

**Switzerland v Poland****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
12/09/1979	UEFA EURO	Lausanne (SUI)	Switzerland - Poland	0 - 2
15/11/1978	UEFA EURO	Wroclaw (POL)	Poland - Switzerland	2 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	0	0	2	0	4
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	8	1	5	2	11	16

- Switzerland have only one victory over Poland in ten meetings. It came in a 1976 friendly in Basel (2-1).
- The nations' only competitive encounters came in the qualifiers for EURO '80. Poland won both matches 2-0 but failed to reach the finals in Italy, finishing one point behind the Netherlands.
- The teams last met in November 2014 for a friendly in Wroclaw, Switzerland's Fabian Frei scoring a late equaliser in a 2-2 draw. Josip Drmic had given the visitors an early lead; Artur Jędrzejczyk and Arkadiusz Milik scored in between for Poland.

**Switzerland v Portugal****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
15/06/2008	UEFA EURO	Basel (SUI)	Switzerland - Portugal	2 - 0
13/10/1993	FIFA World Cup	Porto (POR)	Portugal - Switzerland	1 - 0
31/03/1993	FIFA World Cup	Berne (SUI)	Switzerland - Portugal	1 - 1
20/09/1989	FIFA World Cup	Neuchatel (SUI)	Switzerland - Portugal	1 - 2
26/04/1989	FIFA World Cup	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Switzerland	3 - 1
11/11/1987	UEFA EURO	Porto (POR)	Portugal - Switzerland	0 - 0
29/10/1986	UEFA EURO	Berne (SUI)	Switzerland - Portugal	1 - 1
02/11/1969	FIFA World Cup	Berne (SUI)	Switzerland - Portugal	1 - 1
16/04/1969	FIFA World Cup	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Switzerland	0 - 2
01/05/1938	FIFA World Cup	Milan (ITA)	Switzerland - Portugal	2 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	3	1	2	0	3	1
World Cup	7	2	2	3	8	9
Friendlies	10	6	1	3	19	15

- Co-hosts Switzerland defeated Portugal 2-0 at UEFA EURO 2008 with a Hakan Yakin double, although Switzerland were already eliminated and Portugal already through to the quarter-finals.
- That game in Basel, which brought the teams together for the first time in 15 years, remains their only final tournament encounter.
- Despite getting the better of Switzerland in qualifying for the 1990 and 1994 World Cups, Portugal failed to reach the finals of either tournament. The nations will meet again in 2018 qualifying.

**Switzerland v Republic of Ireland****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
12/10/2005	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Switzerland	0 - 0
08/09/2004	FIFA World Cup	Basel (SUI)	Switzerland - Republic of Ireland	1 - 1
11/10/2003	UEFA EURO	Basel (SUI)	Switzerland - Republic of Ireland	2 - 0
16/10/2002	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Switzerland	1 - 2
11/09/1985	FIFA World Cup	Berne (SUI)	Switzerland - Republic of Ireland	0 - 0
02/06/1985	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Switzerland	3 - 0
21/05/1975	UEFA EURO	Berne (SUI)	Switzerland - Republic of Ireland	1 - 0
10/05/1975	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Switzerland	2 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	3	0	1	6	3
World Cup	4	0	3	1	1	4
Friendlies	7	2	0	5	3	10

- The Republic of Ireland triumphed in the first UEFA European Championship encounter between the sides back in May 1975, but Switzerland have won the three since, including a double in UEFA EURO 2004 qualifying.
- The nations have not met in the last decade, their last encounters coming in 2006 FIFA World Cup qualifying. Switzerland drew their final fixture 0-0 in Dublin – after a 1-1 draw in Basel – to eliminate Ireland and finish as group runners-up behind France, eventually qualifying for Germany via the play-offs.
- Switzerland midfielder Xherdan Shaqiri is a club colleague of Ireland trio Jonathan Walters, Shay Given and Glenn Whelan at Stoke City.

**Switzerland v Romania****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
22/06/1994	FIFA World Cup	Detroit (USA)	Romania - Switzerland	1 - 4
13/11/1991	UEFA EURO	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Switzerland	1 - 0
03/04/1991	UEFA EURO	Neuchatel (SUI)	Switzerland - Romania	0 - 0
11/11/1981	FIFA World Cup	Berne (SUI)	Switzerland - Romania	0 - 0
10/10/1981	FIFA World Cup	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Switzerland	1 - 2
14/05/1969	FIFA World Cup	Lausanne (SUI)	Switzerland - Romania	0 - 1
23/11/1968	FIFA World Cup	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Switzerland	2 - 0
24/05/1967	UEFA EURO	Zurich (SUI)	Switzerland - Romania	7 - 1
02/11/1966	UEFA EURO	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Switzerland	4 - 2
29/10/1933	FIFA World Cup	Berne (SUI)	Switzerland - Romania	2 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	1	1	2	9	6
World Cup	6	3	1	2	8	5
Friendlies	2	1	0	1	2	2

- Switzerland enjoyed one of their finest FIFA World Cup victories when they beat Romania 4-1 indoors at the Pontiac Silverdome, Detroit in 1994. However, Romania recovered to win the group and progress to the quarter-finals while the Swiss exited in the round of 16.
- Swiss hopes of qualifying for EURO '92 were ruined when, needing a point from their final fixture in Bucharest, they lost to a late goal from Romania midfielder Dorin Mateuț. That meant Scotland reached the finals instead.
- Romania have beaten Switzerland on Swiss soil twice in six attempts, including their latest visit, in May 2012, when they prevailed 1-0 in Lucerne.

**Switzerland v Slovakia****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
25/10/1989	FIFA World Cup	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Switzerland	3 - 0
07/06/1989	FIFA World Cup	Berne (SUI)	Switzerland - Czechoslovakia	0 - 1
31/05/1934	FIFA World Cup	Rome (ITA)	Czechoslovakia - Switzerland	3 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	3	0	0	3	2	7
Friendlies	25	7	5	13	38	54

- Yet to meet in a competitive international, the countries have arranged three friendlies, the home side winning on each occasion.
- Their most recent meeting was in November 2015, when Ján Kozák's Slovakia team overcame Vladimir Petrović's side 3-2 in Trnava. The home side were 3-0 up, after a double from Michal Ďuriš and a third from Róbert Mak, before the visitors reduced the deficit through Eren Derdiyok and Josip Drmic.
- Slovakia defender Peter Pekarík and Switzerland midfielder Valentin Stocker play together in the German Bundesliga at Hertha Berlin.

**Switzerland v Spain****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
16/06/2010	FIFA World Cup	Durban (RSA)	Spain - Switzerland	0 - 1
02/07/1994	FIFA World Cup	Washington (USA)	Spain - Switzerland	3 - 0
15/07/1966	FIFA World Cup	Sheffield (ENG)	Spain - Switzerland	2 - 1
24/11/1957	FIFA World Cup	Lausanne (SUI)	Switzerland - Spain	1 - 4
10/03/1957	FIFA World Cup	Madrid (ESP)	Spain - Switzerland	2 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	5	1	1	3	5	11
Friendlies	14	0	2	12	11	34

- Switzerland ended an 18-match winless run against Spain when they defeated them 1-0 in their opening game of the 2010 FIFA World Cup with a goal from midfielder Gelson Fernandes. Vicente del Bosque's side would recover, however, and went on to win the title.
- That was the countries' first meeting since Spain knocked Switzerland out of the 1994 World Cup with a 3-0 win in Washington DC.
- There have been no UEFA European Championship fixtures between the nations.

**Switzerland v Sweden****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
06/09/1995	UEFA EURO	Gothenburg (SWE)	Sweden - Switzerland	0 - 0
12/10/1994	UEFA EURO	Berne (SUI)	Switzerland - Sweden	4 - 2
17/06/1987	UEFA EURO	Lausanne (SUI)	Switzerland - Sweden	1 - 1
24/09/1986	UEFA EURO	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Switzerland	2 - 0
08/06/1977	FIFA World Cup	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Switzerland	2 - 1
09/10/1976	FIFA World Cup	Basel (SUI)	Switzerland - Sweden	1 - 2
12/11/1961	FIFA World Cup	Berlin (GER)	Switzerland - Sweden	2 - 1
29/10/1961	FIFA World Cup	Berne (SUI)	Switzerland - Sweden	3 - 2
28/05/1961	FIFA World Cup	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Switzerland	4 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	1	2	1	5	5
World Cup	5	2	0	3	7	11
Friendlies	19	8	5	6	30	30

- There have been no matches between the countries at a major tournament, although they have faced each other nine times in qualifiers. That includes a play-off for the 1962 FIFA World Cup, Switzerland winning 2-1 in neutral Berlin.
- In their most recent competitive fixtures, Switzerland reached EURO '96 after taking four points off Sweden. The Swedes missed out then but have qualified for every UEFA European Championship since.
- The teams' most recent encounter was a 1-1 draw in Malmo in March 2002. Current assistant coach Marcus Allbäck scored for Sweden, Ricardo Cabanas equalising for the visitors with his first international goal on his first start for his country.



**Switzerland v Turkey****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
11/06/2008	UEFA EURO	Basel (SUI)	Switzerland - Turkey	1 - 2
16/11/2005	FIFA World Cup	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Switzerland	4 - 2 (ag, agg: 4-4)
12/11/2005	FIFA World Cup	Berne (SUI)	Switzerland - Turkey	2 - 0
26/04/1995	UEFA EURO	Berne (SUI)	Switzerland - Turkey	1 - 2
14/12/1994	UEFA EURO	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Switzerland	1 - 2
30/04/1975	UEFA EURO	Basel (SUI)	Switzerland - Turkey	1 - 1
01/12/1974	UEFA EURO	Izmir (TUR)	Turkey - Switzerland	2 - 1
18/11/1973	FIFA World Cup	Izmir (TUR)	Turkey - Switzerland	2 - 0
09/05/1973	FIFA World Cup	Basel (SUI)	Switzerland - Turkey	0 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	5	1	1	3	6	8
World Cup	4	1	1	2	4	6
Friendlies	6	2	1	3	10	7

- Turkey defeated co-hosts Switzerland 2-1 in Basel at UEFA EURO 2008 thanks to an added-time winner from Arda Turan, their current captain, after they had trailed at half-time. That was the teams' last meeting.
- The teams' previous encounter, a 2006 FIFA World Cup qualifying play-off in Istanbul, was marred by trouble between opposing players and coaching staff on the pitch and in the tunnel. Switzerland won the tie on the away-goals rule to reach the finals in Germany, despite a second-leg hat-trick from Turkey striker Tuncay Şanlı.
- Switzerland and Turkey qualified for EURO '96 from the same group. It was the first UEFA European Championship finals appearance for both nations.

**Switzerland v Wales****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
07/10/2011	UEFA EURO	Swansea (WAL)	Wales - Switzerland	2 - 0
12/10/2010	UEFA EURO	Basel (SUI)	Switzerland - Wales	4 - 1
09/10/1999	UEFA EURO	Wrexham (WAL)	Wales - Switzerland	0 - 2
31/03/1999	UEFA EURO	Zurich (SUI)	Switzerland - Wales	2 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	3	0	1	8	3
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	3	2	0	1	8	3

- Gareth Bale scored in both games against Switzerland in UEFA EURO 2012 qualifying. He sealed a 2-0 win in Cardiff after Aaron Ramsey had put Wales ahead from the penalty spot and registered his team's consolation in a 4-1 Basel defeat in which Valentin Stocker was twice on target.
- Switzerland did the double over Wales in UEFA EURO 2000 qualifying, winning 2-0 in Zurich and Wrexham, but missed out on the play-offs because of an inferior head-to-head record against Denmark.
- Switzerland captain Gökhan Inler is a team-mate of Wales midfielder Andy King at Leicester City.

## Austria

### Austria - Team profile

**Best result:** group stage 2008

**Coach:** Marcel Koller

**Leading scorers:** all-time – Toni Polster (44); current – Marc Janko (25)

**Most appearances:** all-time – Andreas Herzog (103); current – Christian Fuchs (72)

**Association formed:** 1904

**Nickname:** None

**Where they play:** Ernst-Happel-Stadion, Vienna

The halcyon days of Austrian football are in the distant past, with third place at the 1954 FIFA World Cup standing as a pinnacle of achievement. In all there have been seven World Cup appearances, the last of them at France '98, but just one until now at the UEFA European Championship – as co-hosts in 2008 when they endured group stage elimination after losing to Germany. Their cross-border rivals proved a stumbling back again in qualification for both UEFA EURO 2012 and the 2014 World Cup, but under Swiss coach Marcel Koller the team cruised to France, winning nine of their ten qualifiers and drawing the other.

#### EURO pedigree

##### Matches played

**Overall:** P103 W45 D18 L40 F185 A150

**Final tournament:** P3 W0 D1 L2 F1 A3

**Qualifying:** P100 W45 D17 L38 F184 A147

UEFA EURO 2008 remains Austria's only tilt at the latter stages of the continental competition and it did not last long. In a tournament they co-hosted with Switzerland, Josef Hickersberger's young team paid for inexperience despite some spirited performances. They lost the opening game to Croatia and after picking up a draw against Poland, bowed out after the group stage following a 1-0 defeat by Germany.

Until UEFA EURO 2016 Austria were never quite able to get across the line in qualifying, their 2012 campaign all too familiar when after a bright start they slipped to fourth. They came close, however, ending a point short of an automatic berth for the 1980 finals and twice defeats in the UK – 1-0 by Wales (1976) and 5-3 in Northern Ireland (1996) – ended their interest.

#### Memorable EURO matches

##### 08/09/15: Sweden 1-4 Austria UEFA EURO 2016 qualifying

A first UEFA European Championship qualification was clinched with a sumptuous win at the Friends Arena.

##### 12/06/08: Austria 1-1 Poland, UEFA EURO 2008 group stage

Ivica Vastic scored an added-time penalty to earn the co-hosts their first ever finals point.

##### 15/10/67: Austria 1-0 USSR, 1968 UEFA European Championship qualifying

Leopold Grausam earned victory over a side that had reached the first two EURO finals.

#### Did you know?

At 38 years and 257 days, Vastic became the oldest player to score in a UEFA European Championship when he converted a late penalty against Poland in 2008.

\*Last updated on 18/11/15

## Austria - Coach profile

### Marcel Koller

**Date of birth:** 11 November 1960

**Nationality:** Swiss

**Playing career:** Grasshopper Club Zürich

**Coaching career:** FC Wil 1900, FC St Gallen, Grasshopper Club Zürich, 1. FC Köln, VfL Bochum 1848, Austria

- A former midfielder, Koller spent his entire playing career with Swiss side Grasshoppers, making over 400 league appearances from 1978 to 1997 and winning seven league titles and five Swiss Cups.
- Capped 55 times by Switzerland, he scored three goals for his country and made two appearances at EURO '96, coming off the bench in the 1-1 draw with hosts England and starting the 1-0 loss to Scotland.
- Began coaching career at Wil in 1997 and took over at St Gallen two years later, leading the club to their first Swiss championship since 1903/04 in his maiden season. Returned to Grasshoppers in 2002 and promptly secured the Swiss league crown, but resigned in October 2003 after a disappointing run.
- Appointed by Köln the following month, he was sacked after the Bundesliga team finished the season bottom, yet bounced back at Bochum in 2005, earning promotion to the top tier in his first campaign.
- Dismissed by Bochum in September 2009, Koller was installed as Austria coach on 4 October 2011, replacing Dietmar Constantini. Missed out on a place at the 2014 FIFA World Cup but earned a contract extension until December 2015 and rewarded that faith by overseeing a first successful UEFA European Championship qualifying campaign as Austria reached UEFA EURO 2016.

## Austria - Team facts

### EURO record

	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
Overall	103	45	18	40	185	150
Final tournament	3	0	1	2	1	3
Qualifying	100	45	17	38	184	147

### UEFA European Championship records: Austria

#### History

2012 – did not qualify  
 2008 – group stage  
 2004 – did not qualify  
 2000 – did not qualify  
 1996 – did not qualify  
 1992 – did not qualify  
 1988 – did not qualify  
 1984 – did not qualify  
 1980 – did not qualify  
 1976 – did not qualify  
 1972 – did not qualify  
 1968 – did not qualify  
 1964 – did not qualify  
 1960 – did not qualify

#### Final tournament win

N/A

#### Final tournament defeat

**0-1:** Austria v Germany, 16/06/08

**0-1:** Austria v Croatia, 08/06/08

#### Qualifying win

**7-0:** Austria v San Marino, 28/04/99

**7-0:** Austria v Liechtenstein, 26/04/95

#### Qualifying defeat

**9-0:** Spain v Austria, 27/03/99

#### Final tournament appearances

9 players have appeared in 3 matches

#### Final tournament goals

**1:** Ivica Vastic

#### Overall appearances

**21:** Bruno Pezzey

**20:** Andreas Herzog

**20:** Toni Polster

**20:** Friedrich Koncilia

**20:** Christian Fuchs

**20:** Martin Harnik

**19:** Herbert Prohaska

**18:** Walter Schachner

**18:** Martin Harnik

**18:** Marko Arnautovic

#### Overall goals

**15:** Toni Polster

**9:** Marc Janko

**9:** Hans Krankl

**8:** Walter Schachner

**7:** Marko Arnautovic

**6:** Andreas Herzog

## 6: Ivica Vastic

## UEFA EURO and FIFA World Cup campaigns

Season	Competition	Result	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
2016	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group	10	9	1	0	22	5
2014	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	10	5	2	3	20	10
2012	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 4th in group	10	3	3	4	16	17
2010	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	10	4	2	4	14	15
2008	EURO finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	3	0	1	2	1	3
2006	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	10	4	3	3	15	12
2004	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	8	3	0	5	12	14
2002	World Cup qualifying	Play-off for Final Tournament	10	4	3	3	10	14
2000	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 3rd in group	8	4	1	3	19	20
1998	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	3	0	2	1	3	4
1998	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	10	8	1	1	17	4
1996	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 4th in group	10	5	1	4	29	14
1994	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 4th in group	10	3	2	5	15	16
1992	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 4th in group	8	1	1	6	6	14
1990	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	3	1	0	2	2	3
1990	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group (qualified)	8	3	3	2	9	9
1988	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 3rd in group	6	2	1	3	6	9
1986	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	6	3	1	2	9	8
1984	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 3rd in group	8	4	1	3	15	10
1982	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 2nd in group	5	2	1	2	5	4
1982	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group (qualified)	8	5	1	2	16	6
1980	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 2nd in group	8	4	3	1	14	7
1978	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 4th in group	6	3	0	3	7	10
1978	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	6	4	2	0	14	2
1976	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 3rd in group	6	3	1	2	11	7
1974	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	7	3	2	2	15	9
1972	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 2nd in group	6	3	1	2	14	6
1970	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	6	3	0	3	12	7
1968	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 3rd in group	6	2	2	2	8	10
1966	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	4	0	1	3	1	6
1964	EURO qualifying	Round of 16	2	0	1	1	2	3
1960	EURO qualifying	Quarter-finals	4	2	0	2	10	11
1958	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 4th in group	3	0	1	2	2	7
1958	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	4	3	1	0	14	3
1954	World Cup finals	3rd place	5	4	0	1	17	12
1954	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	2	1	1	0	9	1
1938	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group	1	1	0	0	2	1
1934	World Cup finals	4th place	4	2	0	2	7	7
1934	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group (qualified)	1	1	0	0	6	1

## Austria - Head to head against teams in other pots

### Austria v Albania

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
29/04/1987	UEFA EURO	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Austria	0 - 1
15/10/1986	UEFA EURO	Salzburg (AUT)	Austria - Albania	3 - 0
08/06/1983	UEFA EURO	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Austria	1 - 2
22/09/1982	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Albania	5 - 0
06/12/1980	FIFA World Cup	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Austria	0 - 1
15/11/1980	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Albania	5 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	4	0	0	11	1
World Cup	2	2	0	0	6	0
Friendlies	-	-	-	-	-	-

- The teams have not met since the 1980s, when Austria won each of the six matches they played.
- Albania scored only one goal in those six defeats, a penalty; Austria found the net 17 times.
- Austria's 44-goal record scorer Toni Polster was on target in both EURO '88 qualifiers – the last two times the teams met.

### Austria v Belgium

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
25/03/2011	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Belgium	0 - 2
12/10/2010	UEFA EURO	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Austria	4 - 4
02/05/1979	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Belgium	0 - 0
28/03/1979	UEFA EURO	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Austria	1 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	0	3	1	5	7
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	10	9	0	1	36	11

- Belgium were held twice by Austria – 1-1 in Brussels, 0-0 in Vienna – in qualifying for EURO '80 in Italy, where they finished as runners-up.
- The only meetings since then came in UEFA EURO 2012 qualification, with both teams failing to finish in the top two of their group. A 4-4 draw in Brussels was followed by a 2-0 win for Belgium in Vienna when Axel Witsel scored both goals.
- That was only the second win ever recorded by Belgium against Austria, who won the first nine meetings – between 1925 and 1959 – before the Red Devils earned a 1-0 victory in a Charleroi friendly in March 1978.

## Austria v Czech Republic

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
11/10/2003	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Czech Republic	2 - 3
02/04/2003	UEFA EURO	Prague (CZE)	Czech Republic - Austria	4 - 0
15/06/1990	FIFA World Cup	Florence (ITA)	Austria - Czechoslovakia	0 - 1
19/06/1954	FIFA World Cup	Zurich (SUI)	Austria - Czechoslovakia	5 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	0	0	2	2	7
World Cup	2	1	0	1	5	1
Friendlies	35	9	11	15	48	65

- The central European rivals met in the UEFA EURO 2004 qualifiers. Czech all-time top scorer Jan Koller was the decisive figure, scoring the late winner in Vienna (3-2) and twice in the 4-0 home victory in Prague.
- Austria have the better record in friendlies, having won two, drawn one and lost none. They were victors on Czech soil in the teams' most recent meeting, in June 2014, when Marcel Sabitzer and Julian Baumgartlinger scored in a 2-1 win in Olomouc.
- Austria have met Czechoslovakia twice at FIFA World Cup finals. They won 5-0 in 1954 with the aid of an Erich Probst hat-trick but lost 1-0 in Florence in the group stage of Italia '90, Michal Bilek scoring the winner from the penalty spot.

## Austria v England

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
08/10/2005	FIFA World Cup	Manchester (ENG)	England - Austria	1 - 0
04/09/2004	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - England	2 - 2
15/06/1958	FIFA World Cup	Boras (SWE)	England - Austria	2 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	3	0	2	1	4	5
Friendlies	15	4	2	9	23	53

- There have only been three competitive fixtures between Austria and England, with the sole meeting at a major tournament coming at the 1958 FIFA World Cup, where the teams drew 2-2 in a group game. Neither progressed to the quarter-finals.
- England got the better of Austria in 2006 World Cup qualifying, drawing 2-2 in Vienna and winning 1-0 in Manchester.
- Austria have not played England at Wembley since 1973, when they lost 7-0. The most recent friendly fixture, in November 2007 in Vienna, also resulted in an England win, Peter Crouch scoring the only goal.
- Austria captain Christian Fuchs plays in England with Leicester City. Marko Arnautovic and Sebastian Prödl are at Stoke City and Watford respectively.

**Austria v France****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
14/10/2009	FIFA World Cup	Saint-Denis (FRA)	France - Austria	3 - 1
06/09/2008	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - France	3 - 1
27/03/1993	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - France	0 - 1
14/10/1992	FIFA World Cup	Paris (FRA)	France - Austria	2 - 0
28/06/1982	FIFA World Cup	Madrid (ESP)	Austria - France	0 - 1
27/03/1960	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - France	2 - 4 (agg: 4-9)
13/12/1959	UEFA EURO	Paris (FRA)	France - Austria	5 - 2
27/05/1934	FIFA World Cup	Turin (ITA)	Austria - France	3 - 2 (aet)

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	0	0	2	4	9
World Cup	6	2	0	4	7	10
Friendlies	15	7	2	6	29	20

- Austria were triumphant in all of the teams' first six meetings (five of them before World War Two), but France have had the upper hand since then, winning six of the last seven competitive fixtures.
- The only exception came in the qualifying competition for the 2010 FIFA World Cup when Austria won the opening fixture 3-1 in Vienna, with striker Marc Janko breaking the deadlock. Les Bleus reversed that scoreline in the return, but Janko was again on target.
- A single goal from France midfielder Bernard Genghini decided the 1982 World Cup second group stage encounter in Madrid – the last time the two countries met at a final tournament.

**Austria v Germany****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
06/09/2013	FIFA World Cup	Munich (GER)	Germany - Austria	3 - 0
11/09/2012	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Germany	1 - 2
02/09/2011	UEFA EURO	Gelsenkirchen (GER)	Germany - Austria	6 - 2
03/06/2011	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Germany	1 - 2
16/06/2008	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Germany	0 - 1
05/10/1983	UEFA EURO	Gelsenkirchen (GER)	Germany - Austria	3 - 0
27/04/1983	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Germany	0 - 0
25/06/1982	FIFA World Cup	Gijon (ESP)	Germany - Austria	1 - 0
14/10/1981	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Germany	1 - 3
29/04/1981	FIFA World Cup	Hamburg (GER)	Germany - Austria	2 - 0
21/06/1978	FIFA World Cup	Cordoba (ARG)	Austria - Germany	3 - 2
10/05/1969	FIFA World Cup	Nuremberg (GER)	Germany - Austria	1 - 0
13/10/1968	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Germany	0 - 2
30/06/1954	FIFA World Cup	Basel (SUI)	Germany - Austria	6 - 1
07/06/1934	FIFA World Cup	Naples (ITA)	Germany - Austria	3 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	5	0	1	4	3	12
World Cup	10	1	0	9	8	25
Friendlies	25	7	5	13	44	53



- Austria's only competitive victory against their neighbours came at the 1978 FIFA World Cup, when striker Hans Krankl scored twice in a famous 3-2 win.
- Four years later the teams took part in a well-known group match at the 1982 World Cup. Germany won 1-0 – a result that enabled both teams to progress to the second phase at the expense of Algeria, who had already completed their programme. The game led to the widespread practice of staging final group matches simultaneously.
- Germany defeated co-hosts Austria 1-0 in the final group game of UEFA EURO 2008, with a goal from Michael Ballack. Four qualifiers between the nations since then have all gone Germany's way, with a goal balance of 13-4.
- Germany head coach Joachim Löw won the Austrian league title with FC Tirol Innsbruck in 2001/02 and also coached Austria Wien.
- A large number of the players who helped Austria qualify for UEFA EURO 2016 play their club football across the border in Germany, including Bayern München star David Alaba and qualifying ever-presents Zlatko Junuzovic (Werder Bremen), Florian Klein and Martin Harnik (both Stuttgart).

## Austria v Hungary

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
17/04/1985	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Hungary	0 - 3
26/09/1984	FIFA World Cup	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - Austria	3 - 1
24/09/1975	UEFA EURO	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - Austria	2 - 1
02/04/1975	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Hungary	0 - 0
29/04/1973	FIFA World Cup	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - Austria	2 - 2
15/10/1972	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Hungary	2 - 2
05/09/1965	FIFA World Cup	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - Austria	3 - 0
13/06/1965	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Hungary	0 - 1
31/05/1934	FIFA World Cup	Bologna (ITA)	Austria - Hungary	2 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	0	1	1	1	2
World Cup	7	1	2	4	7	15
Friendlies	127	39	27	61	244	280

- The eastern European neighbours have met 136 times, their first competitive encounter coming at the 1934 FIFA World Cup, where Austria defeated Hungary 2-1 in Bologna to reach the semi-finals. That remains the countries' only final tournament meeting.
- When Hungary last qualified for a major tournament, the 1986 World Cup, they overcame Austria twice in the process, winning 3-1 in Budapest and 3-0 in Vienna. Those are the sides' most recent competitive encounters.
- Honours have been even in the nine friendlies since then, with three wins apiece and three draws. Hungary won the most recent encounter, 2-1 in Graz in August 2006.

## Austria v Iceland

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
23/08/1989	FIFA World Cup	Salzburg (AUT)	Austria - Iceland	2 - 1
14/06/1989	FIFA World Cup	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Austria	0 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	2	1	1	0	2	1
Friendlies	1	0	1	0	1	1

- Austria are undefeated in their three meetings with Iceland although they were held 1-1 in an Innsbruck friendly staged in May 2014. Marcel Sabitzer put Austria ahead before Kolbeinn Sigthórsson equalised. The current head coaches of the two nations, Marcel Koller and Lars Lagerbäck/Heimir Hallgrímsson, were in charge for that game.
- The only two competitive internationals between the two countries came 26 years ago, a 0-0 draw in Reykjavik and a 2-1 win in Salzburg helping Austria qualify for the 1990 FIFA World Cup.
- Austria's Marc Janko and Iceland's Birkir Bjarnason are club colleagues at Swiss side Basel.

## Austria v Northern Ireland

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
12/10/2005	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Northern Ireland	2 - 0
13/10/2004	FIFA World Cup	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Austria	3 - 3
15/11/1995	UEFA EURO	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Austria	5 - 3
12/10/1994	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Northern Ireland	1 - 2
16/10/1991	UEFA EURO	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Austria	2 - 1
14/11/1990	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Northern Ireland	0 - 0
21/09/1983	UEFA EURO	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Austria	3 - 1
13/10/1982	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Northern Ireland	2 - 0
01/07/1982	FIFA World Cup	Madrid (ESP)	Austria - Northern Ireland	2 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	6	1	1	4	8	12
World Cup	3	1	2	0	7	5
Friendlies	-	-	-	-	-	-

- The countries met for the first time in the second group stage of the 1982 FIFA World Cup. The 2-2 draw in Madrid, in which Billy Hamilton scored twice for Northern Ireland, benefited neither team as they were beaten to a semi-final place by France.
- Since then the countries have been drawn together in four qualifying groups, Northern Ireland registering four victories in eight matches to Austria's two.
- Current Northern Ireland head coach Michael O'Neill scored twice in the teams' most recent UEFA European Championship encounter, a 5-3 qualifying home win in Belfast in November 1995.

## Austria v Poland

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
12/06/2008	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Poland	1 - 1
03/09/2005	FIFA World Cup	Chorzow (POL)	Poland - Austria	3 - 2
09/10/2004	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Poland	1 - 3

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	1	0	1	0	1	1
World Cup	2	0	0	2	3	6
Friendlies	6	4	0	2	16	12

- Austria and Poland came face to face at a major tournament for the first time at UEFA EURO 2008, the co-hosts earning a 1-1 draw thanks to an added-time penalty from Ivica Vastic. He thus became the oldest goalscorer in a UEFA European Championship final tournament.
- Poland did the double over Austria in 2006 FIFA World Cup qualifying, scoring three goals in each match with six different scorers.
- Poland also scored three times when the teams last met in a friendly, in May 1994 in Katowice – but Austria

scored four, midfielder Peter Stöger claiming a hat-trick.

## Austria v Portugal

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
11/10/1995	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Portugal	1 - 1
13/11/1994	UEFA EURO	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Austria	1 - 0
21/11/1979	UEFA EURO	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Austria	1 - 2
15/11/1978	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Portugal	1 - 2
29/11/1953	FIFA World Cup	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Austria	0 - 0
26/09/1953	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Portugal	9 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	1	1	2	4	5
World Cup	2	1	1	0	9	1
Friendlies	4	1	3	0	6	5

- The nations have not met for 21 years – since qualifying for EURO '96.
- Then, Portugal's Luís Figo scored the only goal in Lisbon. The return fixture in Vienna ended 1-1, full-back Paulinho Santos's spectacular equaliser effectively securing Portugal's place at the finals in England and ending a ten-year absence from major tournaments.
- In qualifying for the 1954 FIFA World Cup, Austria defeated Portugal 9-1 in Vienna. Erich Probst marked his competitive international debut by scoring five of the goals.

## Austria v Republic of Ireland

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
10/09/2013	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Republic of Ireland	1 - 0
26/03/2013	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Austria	2 - 2
06/09/1995	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Republic of Ireland	3 - 1
11/06/1995	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Austria	1 - 3
10/10/1971	UEFA EURO	Linz (AUT)	Austria - Republic of Ireland	6 - 0
30/05/1971	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Austria	1 - 4
13/10/1963	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Austria	3 - 2 (agg: 3-2)
25/09/1963	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Republic of Ireland	0 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	6	4	1	1	18	6
World Cup	2	1	1	0	3	2
Friendlies	6	4	1	1	15	9

- Austria are unbeaten in their last eight matches against the Republic of Ireland, whose most recent win came in October 1963 – 3-2 at Dalymount Park in a qualifier for the 1964 UEFA European Championship.
- The nations' most recent UEFA European Championship meetings came in qualifying for EURO '96. Austria won both matches 3-1, with Peter Stöger scoring a hat-trick in Vienna.
- Austria had the better of two 2014 FIFA World Cup qualifiers against Ireland, David Alaba scoring an added-time equaliser in a 2-2 draw in Dublin – after Jonathan Walters had scored twice for the home side – and then the 84th-minute winner in a 1-0 success in Vienna. Neither team advanced from the group.

**Austria v Romania****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
09/09/2009	FIFA World Cup	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Austria	1 - 1
01/04/2009	FIFA World Cup	Klagenfurt (AUT)	Austria - Romania	2 - 1
18/11/1987	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Romania	0 - 0
10/09/1986	UEFA EURO	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Austria	4 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	0	1	1	0	4
World Cup	2	1	1	0	3	2
Friendlies	4	1	3	0	6	3

- Five of the eight matches played between Austria and Romania have ended in draws, including the most recent encounter – 0-0 in an Innsbruck friendly in June 2012.
- Austria ended an 85-year wait for a second win against Romania when they defeated them 2-1 in 2010 FIFA World Cup qualifying, Erwin Hoffer scoring the goals.
- Romania's sole victory against Austria was comprehensive – 4-0 in Bucharest in EURO '88 qualifying. Gheorghe Hagi completed the scoring in the last minute.

**Austria v Slovakia****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
15/06/1990	FIFA World Cup	Florence (ITA)	Austria - Czechoslovakia	0 - 1
19/06/1954	FIFA World Cup	Zurich (SUI)	Austria - Czechoslovakia	5 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	2	1	0	1	5	1
Friendlies	35	8	11	16	48	66

- The central European neighbours have never met in a competitive fixture.
- There is nothing to choose between the two countries after three friendly encounters, with one win apiece and one draw. Slovakia were the victors in the most recent engagement, beating their hosts 2-1 in Klagenfurt in August 2011.
- The capital cities of the two countries, Vienna and Bratislava, are just 55km apart – the shortest distance between any two European capitals.

**Austria v Spain****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
01/09/2001	FIFA World Cup	Valencia (ESP)	Spain - Austria	4 - 0
11/10/2000	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Spain	1 - 1
04/09/1999	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Spain	1 - 3
27/03/1999	UEFA EURO	Valencia (ESP)	Spain - Austria	9 - 0
14/10/1987	UEFA EURO	Seville (ESP)	Spain - Austria	2 - 0
01/04/1987	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Spain	2 - 3
03/06/1978	FIFA World Cup	Buenos Aires (ARG)	Austria - Spain	2 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	0	0	4	3	17
World Cup	3	1	1	1	3	6
Friendlies	9	3	2	4	16	20

- Spain were 5-1 winners in the teams' most recent encounter, a November 2009 friendly in Vienna. They overwhelmed Austria in UEFA EURO 2000 qualifying, beating them 9-0 in Valencia to end the reign of long-serving Austria coach Herbert Prohaska.
- Spain qualified at Austria's expense for the 2002 FIFA World Cup, winning 4-0 in Valencia after a 1-1 draw in Vienna.
- The only previous meeting at a major tournament was won by Austria, 2-1 at the 1978 World Cup in Argentina, with goals from Walter Schachner and Hans Krankl.

**Austria v Sweden****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
08/09/2015	UEFA EURO	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Austria	1 - 4
08/09/2014	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Sweden	1 - 1
11/10/2013	FIFA World Cup	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Austria	2 - 1
07/06/2013	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Sweden	2 - 1
06/09/1997	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Sweden	1 - 0
09/10/1996	FIFA World Cup	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Austria	0 - 1
10/11/1993	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Sweden	1 - 1
19/05/1993	FIFA World Cup	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Austria	1 - 0
07/06/1978	FIFA World Cup	Buenos Aires (ARG)	Austria - Sweden	1 - 0
27/11/1973	FIFA World Cup	Gelsenkirchen (GER)	Sweden - Austria	2 - 1
23/05/1973	FIFA World Cup	Gothenburg (SWE)	Sweden - Austria	3 - 2
10/06/1972	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Sweden	2 - 0
04/09/1971	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Sweden	1 - 0
26/05/1971	UEFA EURO	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Austria	1 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	2	1	1	6	3
World Cup	10	5	1	4	12	10
Friendlies	21	10	4	7	36	39

- Austria overpowered Sweden 4-1 in Solna with goals from David Alaba (penalty), Martin Harnik (two) and Marc Janko to clinch their place at UEFA EURO 2016 as Group G winners. They drew the opening qualifier 1-1 in Vienna, Alaba again on target from the spot. The teams also met in the 2014 FIFA World Cup qualifiers, each

winning their home game 2-1.

- The teams were paired in successive World Cup qualifying campaigns in the 1990s. The Swedes reached the 1994 finals in the United States, where they finished third, but Austria wreaked revenge to reach the 1998 tournament, Andreas Herzog scoring the winning goal in each of their two 1-0 victories

- Austria prevailed in the nations' only major tournament encounter to date, winning 1-0 thanks to a Hans Krankl goal in the opening round of the 1978 World Cup.

## Austria v Turkey

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
06/09/2011	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Turkey	0 - 0
29/03/2011	UEFA EURO	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Austria	2 - 0
14/11/2001	FIFA World Cup	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Austria	5 - 0 (agg: 6-0)
10/11/2001	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Turkey	0 - 1
25/10/1989	FIFA World Cup	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Austria	3 - 0
02/11/1988	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Turkey	3 - 2
16/11/1983	UEFA EURO	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Austria	3 - 1
17/11/1982	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Turkey	4 - 0
30/10/1977	FIFA World Cup	Izmir (TUR)	Turkey - Austria	0 - 1
17/04/1977	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Turkey	1 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	1	1	2	5	5
World Cup	6	3	0	3	5	11
Friendlies	5	4	0	1	7	4

- The first five matches between the nations all ended with 1-0 wins to Austria.

- Turkey have had the better of things in recent competitive fixtures, including qualifying for UEFA EURO 2012. They won 2-0 in Istanbul – Arda Turan opening the scoring – and drew 0-0 in Vienna to reach the play-offs, where they were beaten by Croatia.

- Turkey did the double over Austria in the 2002 FIFA World Cup play-offs, winning 6-0 on aggregate. They finished third in South Korea/Japan.

## Austria v Wales

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
30/03/2005	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Wales	1 - 0
26/03/2005	FIFA World Cup	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Austria	0 - 2
19/11/1975	UEFA EURO	Wrexham (WAL)	Wales - Austria	1 - 0
04/09/1974	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Wales	2 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	1	0	1	2	2
World Cup	2	2	0	0	3	0
Friendlies	4	2	1	1	6	4

- Chris Coleman's Wales defeated Marcel Koller's Austria 2-1 in a friendly in Swansea on 6 February 2013 – the teams' most recent meeting ♦♦ with Gareth Bale and Sam Vokes scoring for the hosts before Marc Janko pulled one back for the visitors.

- That was only the second win for Wales in eight encounters with Austria. The first one came back in November 1975, when Arfon Griffiths scored the only goal in a UEFA European Championship qualifier at the Racecourse in

Wrexham that clinched the team's place in the quarter-finals – the country's best performance in the competition.

- Austria captain Christian Fuchs and Wales midfielder Andy King are team-mates at English club Leicester City.



## Croatia - Team profile

**Best result:** quarter-finals (1996, 2008)

**Coach:** Ante Čačić

**Leading scorers:** all-time – Davor Šuker (45); current – Darijo Srna (21)

**Most appearances:** all-time – Darijo Srna (127); current – Darijo Srna (127)

**Association formed:** 1912

**Nickname:** Kockasti (Checks)

**Where they play:** Stadion Maksimir, Zagreb

Since seceding from Yugoslavia in 1991, Croatia have emerged as a force in international football. They qualified in their debut UEFA European Championship and FIFA World Cup campaigns, finishing third at France '98 where Davor Šuker was the six-goal top scorer. Croatia have become final tournament regulars, missing out only twice – in 2000 and 2010 – but have progressed beyond the group stage on just one further occasion, at UEFA EURO 2008. They qualified for the UEFA EURO 2016 finals – their fourth in a row – as runners-up to Italy in Group H.

### EURO pedigree

#### Matches played

**Overall:** P76 W46 D18 L12 F136 A55

**Final tournament:** P14 W6 D4 L4 F18 A16

**Qualifying:** P62 W40 D14 L8 F118 A39

UEFA EURO 2012 was Croatia's fourth European final tournament in five attempts since the break-up of Yugoslavia, their only failure coming in 2000. Inspired by three-goal Šuker, Miroslav Blažević's 1996 vintage reached the last eight in their maiden finals appearance, and the semi-finals beckoned in 2008 before Turkey's last-gasp equaliser and then defeat in the penalty shoot-out. There was more disappointment four years later as Slaven Bilić's side were narrowly edged out of a tough group by Spain and Italy, the eventual finalists.

Croatia, of course, also contributed players to the Yugoslavia team that twice finished runners-up at the UEFA European Championship. They lost the inaugural showpiece 2-1 in extra time against the Soviet Union in 1960 and went down 2-0 to hosts Italy in a final replay eight years later.

### Memorable EURO matches

#### 11/11/11: Turkey 0-3 Croatia, UEFA EURO 2012 play-offs

Croatia stunned the home fans with three goals inside 50 minutes of the first leg.

#### 21/11/07: England 2-3 Croatia, UEFA EURO 2008 qualifying

Nearly 90,000 at Wembley were similarly silenced as Mladen Petrić scored the winner for already-qualified Croatia and eliminated the hosts.

#### 16/06/96: Croatia 3-0 Denmark, UEFA EURO 1996 group stage

An impressive victory best remembered for Šuker's magnificent chip over Peter Schmeichel.

### Did you know?

Croatia finished above an Italy side fresh from finishing runners-up at the 1994 World Cup in their first major tournament qualifying campaign, advancing to EURO '96 where they were one of a record six teams making their finals debut.

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## Croatia - Coach profile

### Ante Čačić

**Date of birth:** 29 September 1953

**Nationality:** Croatian

**Playing career:** NK Prigorje Markuševac

**Coaching career:** NK Dubrava, NK Inter Zaprešić (three times), NK Osijek, NK Zadar, NK Slaven Belupo (twice), GNK Dinamo Zagreb, NK Radnik Sesvete, NK Maribor, NK Kamen Ingrad, NK Lokomotiva Zagreb (twice), NK Croatia Sesvete, Croatia Under-21 (assistant), Libya (assistant), Croatia

- A graduate of the University of Zagreb's coaching school, Čačić was among the first ten Croatian coaches to receive a UEFA Pro licence; he started his coaching career at lower-league Prigorje Markuševac, where he had also played.
- Spent the bulk of his career in the Croatian top division, also earning promotion to the First League with Dubrava and Inter Zaprešić.
- His highest-profile job was at Dinamo Zagreb; hired in December 2011, he won a domestic double and led the club into the 2012/13 UEFA Champions League group stage. Left in November 2012.
- From 1994 to 1998, he was assistant coach of Croatia's Under-21 team, and from 2003 to 2006 assisted countryman Ilija Lončarević during his time as Libya coach.
- In 2013, he took Maribor to the UEFA Europa League group stage; he was most recently in charge of Lokomotiva, whom he guided into 2015/16 UEFA Europa League qualifying.

## Croatia - Team facts

### EURO record

	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
Overall	76	46	18	12	136	55
Final tournament	14	6	4	4	18	16
Qualifying	62	40	14	8	118	39

### UEFA European Championship records: Croatia

#### History

2012 – group stage

2008 – quarter-finals

2004 – group stage

2000 – did not qualify

1996 – quarter-finals

#### Final tournament win

**3-0:** Croatia v Denmark, 16/06/96

#### Final tournament defeat

**0-3:** Croatia v Portugal, 19/06/96

#### Qualifying win

**7-0:** Croatia v Andorra, 07/10/06

#### Qualifying defeat

**0-2:** five times, most recently Norway v Croatia, 06/09/15

#### Final tournament appearances

**8:** Darijo Srna

**7:** Vedran Ćorluka

**6:** Niko Kovač

**6:** Robert Kovač

**6:** Josip Šimunić

**6:** Ivica Olić

**6:** Niko Kranjčar

**6:** Stipe Pletikosa

**6:** Danijel Pranjić

**6:** Ivan Rakitić

**6:** Luka Modrić

#### Final tournament goals

**3:** Mario Mandžukić

**3:** Davor Šuker

**2:** Ivan Klasnić

#### Overall appearances

**43:** Darijo Srna

**39:** Vedran Ćorluka

**36:** Luka Modrić

**34:** Ivica Olić

**32:** Stipe Pletikosa

**31:** Josip Šimunić

**30:** Dario Šimić

**28:** Ivan Rakitić

#### Overall goals

**20:** Davor Šuker

**13:** Eduardo

**8:** Mladen Petrić

**7:** Mario Mandžukić

**6:** Zvonimir Boban

**6:** Niko Kranjčar

**6:** Darijo Srna

6: Ivica Olić

6: Ivan Perišić

### UEFA EURO and FIFA World Cup campaigns

Season	Competition	Result	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
2016	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	10	6	3	1	20	5
2014	World Cup qualifying	Play-off for Final Tournament (qualified)	12	6	3	3	14	9
2012	EURO finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	3	1	1	1	4	3
2012	EURO qualifying	Play-off for Final Tournament (qualified)	12	8	2	2	21	7
2010	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	10	6	2	2	19	13
2008	EURO finals	Quarter-finals	4	3	1	0	5	2
2008	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	12	9	2	1	28	8
2006	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	3	0	2	1	2	3
2006	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	10	7	3	0	21	5
2004	EURO finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 1st in group	3	0	2	1	4	6
2004	EURO qualifying	Play-off for Final Tournament (qualified)	10	6	2	2	14	5
2002	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 4th in group	3	1	0	2	2	3
2002	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	8	5	3	0	15	2
2000	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 3rd in group	8	4	3	1	13	9
1998	World Cup finals	3rd place	7	5	0	2	11	5
1998	World Cup qualifying	Play-off for Final Tournament (qualified)	10	5	4	1	20	13
1996	EURO finals	Quarter-finals	4	2	0	2	5	5
1996	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 1st in group (qualified)	10	7	2	1	22	5

## Croatia - Head to head against teams in other pots

### Croatia v Albania

No previous meetings

- Albania and Croatia have never previously met.
- Two current Albanian internationals, Odhise Roshi and Bekim Balaj, both play for Croatian club Rijeka.

### Croatia v Belgium

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
11/10/2013	FIFA World Cup	Zagreb (CRO)	Croatia - Belgium	1 - 2
11/09/2012	FIFA World Cup	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Croatia	1 - 1
10/09/2003	UEFA EURO	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Croatia	2 - 1
29/03/2003	UEFA EURO	Zagreb (CRO)	Croatia - Belgium	4 - 0
06/10/2001	FIFA World Cup	Zagreb (CRO)	Croatia - Belgium	1 - 0
02/09/2000	FIFA World Cup	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Croatia	0 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	1	0	1	5	2
World Cup	4	1	2	1	3	3
Friendlies	-	-	-	-	-	-

- Belgium clinched their place at the 2014 FIFA World Cup – ending a major tournament absence of 12 years – thanks to a 2-1 victory over Croatia in Zagreb, striker Romelu Lukaku scoring both goals. The earlier fixture in Brussels had ended 1-1.
- Croatia had won their previous two qualifiers against Belgium in Zagreb without conceding, the second of them a 4-0 victory in qualification for UEFA EURO 2004. That is the only time in seven meetings that there has been more than one goal between the sides.
- Croatia pipped Belgium to top spot in their qualifying group for the 2002 World Cup when Alen Boksić scored the only goal in the decisive final fixture. Belgium joined them in Korea/Japan via the play-offs.

### Croatia v Czech Republic

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	2	1	1	0	5	3

- The nations drew 1-1 in their first meeting at a tournament in Casablanca in December 1996, Croatia winning 4-1 on penalties to lift the King Hassan II Cup.
- Croatia forward Nikola Kalinić scored twice in a 4-2 friendly win in Pula in February 2012 – the first time the Czech Republic had conceded four goals in a game.
- Czech captain Tomáš Rosický scored his 20th international goal in that Pula defeat.

## Croatia v England

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
09/09/2009	FIFA World Cup	London (ENG)	England - Croatia	5 - 1
10/09/2008	FIFA World Cup	Zagreb (CRO)	Croatia - England	1 - 4
21/11/2007	UEFA EURO	London (ENG)	England - Croatia	2 - 3
11/10/2006	UEFA EURO	Zagreb (CRO)	Croatia - England	2 - 0
21/06/2004	UEFA EURO	Lisbon (POR)	Croatia - England	2 - 4

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	3	2	0	1	7	6
World Cup	2	0	0	2	2	9
Friendlies	2	0	1	1	1	3

- The first competitive meeting between the countries took place at UEFA EURO 2004, where a Wayne Rooney double inspired England to a 4-2 win in Lisbon that took his team into the quarter-finals at Croatia's expense.
- Croatia got their revenge in qualifying for UEFA EURO 2008 when they did the double over England, topping the group. With their qualification already assured, they eliminated Steve McClaren's injury-hit side with a last-day 3-2 victory at Wembley.
- The pendulum swung back in England's favour during the 2010 FIFA World Cup qualifiers as Fabio Capello's team overcame Croatia 4-1 in Zagreb – courtesy of a Theo Walcott hat-trick. They added a resounding, qualification-clinching 5-1 at Wembley in which midfielders Frank Lampard and Steven Gerrard each scored twice.

## Croatia v France

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
17/06/2004	UEFA EURO	Leiria (POR)	Croatia - France	2 - 2
08/07/1998	FIFA World Cup	Saint-Denis (FRA)	France - Croatia	2 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	1	0	1	0	2	2
World Cup	1	0	0	1	1	2
Friendlies	3	0	1	2	0	5

- The teams' first meeting came in the semi-final of the 1998 FIFA World Cup at the Stade de France. Davor Šuker, the tournament's top scorer, put Croatia in front but France replied immediately through Lilian Thuram, who also got the winner – the only international goals for the defender, who earned a record 142 caps for France.
- The sides were drawn in the same group at UEFA EURO 2004 and shared a 2-2 draw, David Trezeguet scoring the equaliser for France after Croatia had come from a goal behind to lead 2-1.
- The countries' most recent encounter, a friendly at the Stade de France on 29 March 2011, ended goalless.

## Croatia v Germany

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
12/06/2008	UEFA EURO	Klagenfurt (AUT)	Croatia - Germany	2 - 1
04/07/1998	FIFA World Cup	Lyon (FRA)	Germany - Croatia	0 - 3
23/06/1996	UEFA EURO	Manchester (ENG)	Germany - Croatia	2 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	1	0	1	3	3
World Cup	1	1	0	0	3	0
Friendlies	5	0	1	4	4	15

- The countries' first official encounter came in a EURO '96 quarter-final. Croatia were reduced to ten men after Igor Štimac's red card, and Germany scored the decisive goal soon afterwards through 1996 Ballon d'Or winner Matthias Sammer.
- Croatia gained revenge two years later at the 1998 FIFA World Cup, unexpectedly winning another quarter-final by a 3-0 margin – after Germany defender Christian Wörns had been sent off. Robert Jarni, Goran Vlaović and Davor Šuker scored.
- Bastian Schweinsteiger was dismissed in added time when the teams met in the UEFA EURO 2008 group stage, meaning a player has been dismissed in each of the sides' three competitive contests. By that stage Germany were 2-1 down, having fallen behind to Darijo Srna and Ivica Olić before Lukas Podolski pulled one back.

## Croatia v Hungary

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
12/10/2005	FIFA World Cup	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - Croatia	0 - 0
04/09/2004	FIFA World Cup	Zagreb (CRO)	Croatia - Hungary	3 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	2	1	1	0	3	0
Friendlies	7	2	4	1	11	7

- In the six meetings between the teams since Croatia regained independence there have been three draws and three wins for Croatia.
- The only competitive fixtures between the countries took place in qualifying for the 2006 FIFA World Cup, Croatia winning 3-0 in Zagreb before closing their group-topping campaign with a 0-0 draw in Budapest.
- ♦♦ The most recent encounter, a Budapest friendly in May 2008, ended 1-1 with Niko Kovač, who coached Croatia for much of the UEFA EURO 2016 qualifying campaign, scoring at both ends.

**Croatia v Iceland****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
19/11/2013	FIFA World Cup	Zagreb (CRO)	Croatia - Iceland	2 - 0 (agg: 2-0)
15/11/2013	FIFA World Cup	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Croatia	0 - 0
03/09/2005	FIFA World Cup	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Croatia	1 - 3
26/03/2005	FIFA World Cup	Zagreb (CRO)	Croatia - Iceland	4 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	4	3	1	0	9	1
Friendlies	-	-	-	-	-	-

- Croatia qualified at Iceland's expense for the 2014 FIFA World Cup, defeating them 2-0 at home in the second leg of the play-offs. The goals came from Mario Mandžukić and Darijo Srna, after a 0-0 draw in Reykjavik.
- The nations had met previously in the qualifying competition for the 2006 World Cup, Croatia comfortably winning both matches – 4-0 in Zagreb and 3-1 in Reykjavik, where Srna was among the scorers.
- The teams have been paired together again in 2018 World Cup qualifying.

**Croatia v Northern Ireland**

No previous meetings

- Croatia and Northern Ireland have never met.

**Croatia v Poland****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
16/06/2008	UEFA EURO	Klagenfurt (AUT)	Poland - Croatia	0 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	1	1	0	0	1	0
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	4	2	1	1	6	3

- Croatia won when these sides met in Klagenfurt in the final round of group matches at UEFA EURO 2008. Ivan Klasnić scored the only goal, 15 months after undergoing the second of two kidney transplants.
- Croatia also had the upper hand in the four friendlies played prior to that first competitive encounter, although Poland won the last of them. That was a 2006 FIFA World Cup warm-up game in which Euzebiusz Smolarek secured a 1-0 success.
- Poland's Jakub Błaszczykowski plays alongside Croatian internationals Milan Badelj and Nikola Kalinić at Italian club Fiorentina.

**Croatia v Portugal****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
19/06/1996	UEFA EURO	Nottingham (ENG)	Croatia - Portugal	0 - 3

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	1	0	0	1	0	3
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	2	0	0	2	0	3

- Croatia have failed to score in their three matches against Portugal – all of them defeats.
- Portugal triumphed 3-0 at EURO '96 in the countries' first meeting. It was the final group game and Croatia, who had already qualified for the quarter-finals by winning their opening two fixtures, fielded an understrength team.
- The two subsequent friendlies have also been won by Portugal – 2-0 in Coimbra in November 2005 and 1-0 in neutral Geneva in June 2013, when Cristiano Ronaldo scored the winner.

**Croatia v Republic of Ireland****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
10/06/2012	UEFA EURO	Poznan (POL)	Republic of Ireland - Croatia	1 - 3
04/09/1999	UEFA EURO	Zagreb (CRO)	Croatia - Republic of Ireland	1 - 0
05/09/1998	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Croatia	2 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	3	2	0	1	4	3
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	4	0	3	1	4	5

- The nations were drawn together in the group stage of UEFA EURO 2012, Croatia winning 3-1 in Poznan with two goals from Mario Mandžukić and one by Nikica Jelavić.
- The teams' previous competitive meeting, a vital UEFA EURO 2000 qualifier in Zagreb, was won by Croatia with virtually the last kick of the game as Davor Šuker struck his 42nd international goal to record a 1-0 victory.
- Earlier in the same campaign, Manchester United pair Denis Irwin and Roy Keane scored as the Republic of Ireland triumphed 2-0 in Croatia's first competitive outing after finishing third at the 1998 FIFA World Cup.

**Croatia v Romania****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
30/06/1998	FIFA World Cup	Bordeaux (FRA)	Romania - Croatia	0 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	1	1	0	0	1	0
Friendlies	3	2	1	0	5	3

- Romania were eliminated by Croatia in the round of 16 at the 1998 FIFA World Cup, Davor Šuker converting a penalty. That was Romania's last match in the World Cup finals.
- Croatia played Romania while still part of Yugoslavia, in December 1990. They won the match in Rijeka 2-0, although the Romanian Football Federation do not recognise the fixture as official.
- Croatia have also won both of the teams' last two meetings, friendlies on Romanian soil in Timisoara (1-0) and Bucharest (2-1).



**Croatia v Slovakia**

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	13	8	3	2	33	17

- The nations have yet to meet in a competitive international.
- Since the countries regained independence there have been six friendly encounters, each team winning twice and two draws.
- The most recent of those fixtures took place in August 2010 in Bratislava, a 1-1 draw. Miroslav Stoch opened the scoring for the hosts before Nikica Jelavić equalised for Croatia.

**Croatia v Spain****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
18/06/2012	UEFA EURO	Gdansk (POL)	Croatia - Spain	0 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	1	0	0	1	0	1
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	4	1	1	2	4	5

- Spain defeated Croatia 1-0 in their final group game at UEFA EURO 2012 thanks to Jesús Navas's 88th-minute strike to advance at their opponents' expense. All four of the teams' previous meetings had been friendly matches.
- Croatia's first victory away from home after regaining independence came against Spain in Valencia in March 1994. They won 2-0 with goals from Robert Prosinečki and Davor Šuker.
- Croatia midfielders Luka Modrić and Mateo Kovačić play in Spain for Real Madrid while their international teammate Ivan Rakitić is with Liga arch-rivals Barcelona.

**Croatia v Sweden****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
08/10/2005	FIFA World Cup	Zagreb (CRO)	Croatia - Sweden	1 - 0
08/09/2004	FIFA World Cup	Gothenburg (SWE)	Sweden - Croatia	0 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	2	2	0	0	2	0
Friendlies	2	1	0	1	3	4

- Croatia and Sweden qualified together for the 2006 FIFA World Cup, Croatia topping the group and Sweden progressing as the best runners-up. The teams finished level on points but Croatia had the superior head-to-head record after doing the double over the Swedes with a pair of 1-0 wins, Darijo Srna scoring in both games.
- The sides' two friendly encounters have both been won by the visitors. Sweden's Zlatan Ibrahimović scored in both the 2-1 defeat in Solna in April 2003 and the 3-1 win in Zagreb in February 2012, when Sebastian Larsson also registered twice.
- Sweden forward Marcus Berg and Croatia's Danijel Pranjić are team-mates at Panathinaikos.

**Croatia v Turkey****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
15/11/2011	UEFA EURO	Zagreb (CRO)	Croatia - Turkey	0 - 0 (agg: 3-0)
11/11/2011	UEFA EURO	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Croatia	0 - 3
20/06/2008	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Croatia - Turkey	1 - 1 (1-3p)
11/06/1996	UEFA EURO	Nottingham (ENG)	Turkey - Croatia	0 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	2	2	0	5	1
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	2	0	2	0	3	3

- Croatia and Turkey made their UEFA European Championship finals debut at EURO '96 and were paired in the opening game. Croatia won the match in Nottingham 1-0 with a late breakaway goal from Goran Vlaović. Then, as now, Fatih Terim was Turkey's coach.
- The teams met again in Vienna in a dramatic UEFA EURO 2008 quarter-final, Turkey going through on penalties after a 1-1 draw in which both sides scored late in extra time. Semih Şentürk cancelled out Ivan Klasnić's 119th-minute strike to force the shoot-out.
- Croatia gained some revenge by defeating Turkey 3-0 away – and by the same aggregate score – in the play-offs for UEFA EURO 2012.
- The nations have been drawn together in the 2018 FIFA World Cup qualifying competition.

**Croatia v Wales****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
26/03/2013	FIFA World Cup	Swansea (WAL)	Wales - Croatia	1 - 2
16/10/2012	FIFA World Cup	Osijek (CRO)	Croatia - Wales	2 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	2	2	0	0	4	1
Friendlies	2	1	1	0	3	1

- Croatia defeated Wales home and away in the 2014 FIFA World Cup qualifiers, a 2-0 win in Osijek preceding a 2-1 success in Cardiff; Eduardo da Silva scored in both games.
- Those are the nations' only competitive meetings to date.
- Wales talisman Gareth Bale plays alongside Croatian internationals Luka Modrić and Mateo Kovačić at Real Madrid. Andy King (Wales) and Andrej Kramarić (Croatia) are team-mates at Leicester City.

 **Ukraine**
**Ukraine - Team profile****Best result:** group stage 2012**Coach:** Mykhailo Fomenko**Leading scorers:** all-time – Andriy Shevchenko (48); current – Andriy Yarmolenko (22)**Most appearances:** all-time – Anatoliy Tymoshchuk (141); current – Anatoliy Tymoshchuk (141)**Association formed:** 1992**Nickname:** Synyo-Zhovti (Blue and yellows)**Where they play:** NSK Olimpiyskyi, Kyiv

Ukraine supplied several players to Soviet Union sides competing at the FIFA World Cup and UEFA European Championship, notably in the late 1980s when legendary coach Valeriy Lobanovskiy was in charge. Since independence the country has challenged consistently for major tournaments but qualified only twice.

Firstly when Oleh Blokhin led an Andriy Shevchenko-inspired side not just to the 2006 World Cup but onwards to the quarter-finals, and then via the play-offs for UEFA EURO 2016. Ukraine's EURO duck was broken when they co-hosted the 2012 finals, but despite Blokhin's return a win against Sweden was followed by defeats by France and England and a group stage exit.

**EURO pedigree****Matches played****Overall:** P57 W24 D15 L18 F75 A57**Final tournament:** P3 W1 D0 L2 F2 A4**Qualifying:** P54 W23 D15 L16 F73 A53

Ukraine was a prolific resource for the Soviet Union team that won the inaugural UEFA European Championship in 1960 and finished runners-up three times: losing to Spain (1964), West Germany (1972) and the Netherlands (1988). Ukraine had never qualified as an independent nation until now, but came within 12 minutes of reaching UEFA EURO 2000. Denied an automatic spot after a last-day draw in Russia, they were heading through on away goals in the play-offs before Miran Pavlin gave Slovenia a 3-2 aggregate win.

They had to wait until 2012 for their first appearance, participating as co-hosts with Poland. Blokhin's side enjoyed a dream finals debut, Shevchenko rolling back the years and raising the roof of Kyiv's NSK Olimpiyskyi with two predatory headers as Ukraine came from behind to beat Sweden 2-1. It was as good as it got as they went down 2-0 against France and 1-0 to England to bow out.

**Memorable EURO matches****14/11/2015: Ukraine 2-0 Slovenia, UEFA EURO 2016 qualifying**

A solid first-leg win in Lviv laid the foundation for Ukraine's first ever play-off success.

**11/06/2012: Ukraine 2-1 Sweden, UEFA EURO 2012 group stage**

The last two goals of Shevchenko's career provided an electric start for the finals co-hosts.

**09/10/1999: Russia 1-1 Ukraine, UEFA EURO 2000 qualifying**

Shevchenko's clever free-kick earned a point away to their fierce rivals.

**Did you know?**

Ukrainian players made up 12 of Valeriy Lobanovskiy's 20-strong Soviet Union party, built upon the coach's own FC Dynamo Kyiv selection, that lost the 1988 final to the Netherlands.

\*Last updated 18/11/2015

## Ukraine - Coach profile

### Mykhailo Fomenko

**Date of birth:** 19 September 1948

**Nationality:** Ukrainian

**Playing career:** FC Spartak Sumy, FC Zorya Luhansk, FC Dynamo Kyiv

**Coaching career:** FC Frunzenets Sumy, FC Desna Chernihiv, FC Kryvbas Kryvyi Rih, FC Guria Lanchkhuti, FC Rashid Baghdad, FC Avtomobilist Sumy, FC Dynamo Kyiv, FC Veres Rivne, Guinea, FC CSKA Kyiv, FC Metalist Kharkiv (three times), SC Tavriya Simferopol, FC Salyut Belgorod, Ukraine

- An integral part of the famous Dynamo Kyiv side of the 1970s, the defender lifted three Soviet league titles, three domestic cups, the 1975 European Cup Winners' Cup and UEFA Super Cup, as the Ukrainian outfit established themselves as a major European force.
- Earned 24 caps for the USSR between 1972 and 1976, and was a key member of the team during qualifying for the 1976 UEFA European Championship, who were defeated by eventual winners Czechoslovakia at the quarter-final stage.
- First moved into coaching in 1979 with Frunzenets Sumy, working in Ukraine, Georgia and Iraq, before taking over at old club Dynamo Kyiv in 1993 and helping them to a Ukrainian league and cup double during his only season in charge.
- Enjoyed a first taste of international management when taking the helm of Guinea, but swiftly returned to the domestic game. Had three separate stints at Metalist Kharkiv between 1996 and 2005, and also took CSKA Kyiv to the Ukrainian Cup final, only to fall to FC Shakhtar Donetsk.
- Spells at Tavriya Simferopol and Russian side Salyut Belgorod followed, before he was called upon by the national federation to take permanent control of Ukraine after Oleh Blokhin stepped down following UEFA EURO 2012. Helped his country to a play-off place in 2014 FIFA World Cup qualifying; despite a 2-0 first-leg success against France, Ukraine fell 3-2 on aggregate to miss out on Brazil, but did overcome Slovenia in the play-offs to make UEFA EURO 2016.

## Ukraine - Team facts

### EURO record

	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
Overall	57	24	15	18	75	57
Final tournament	3	1	0	2	2	4
Qualifying	54	23	15	16	73	53

### UEFA European Championship records: Ukraine

#### History

2012 – group stage

2008 – did not qualify

2004 – did not qualify

2000 – did not qualify

1996 – did not qualify

#### Final tournament win

**2-1:** Ukraine v Sweden, 11/06/12, group stage

#### Final tournament defeat

**0-2:** Ukraine v France, 15/06/12, group stage

#### Qualifying win

**5-0:** Ukraine v Faroe Islands, 17/10/07

#### Qualifying defeat

**4-0:** Croatia v Ukraine, 25/03/95

#### Final tournament appearances

**3:** Marko Dević

**3:** Oleh Gusev

**3:** Yevhen Khacheridi

**3:** Yevhen Konoplyanka

**3:** Artem Milevskiy

**3:** Serhiy Nazarenko

**3:** Andriy Pyatov

**3:** Yevhen Selin

**3:** Andriy Shevchenko

**3:** Anatoliy Tymoshchuk

**3:** Andriy Yarmolenko

**2:** Taras Mikhalik

**2:** Andriy Voronin

#### Final tournament goals

**2:** Andriy Shevchenko

#### Overall appearances

**29:** Andriy Shevchenko

**26:** Anatoliy Tymoshchuk

**25:** Olexandr Shovkovskiy

**24:** Oleh Luzhny

**21:** Olexiy Mykhaylychenko

**21:** Andriy Voronin

**19:** Andriy Husin

**19:** Oleh Kuznetsov

**19:** Oleh Gusev

**18:** Serhiy Rebrov

#### Overall goals

**12:** Andriy Shevchenko

**5:** Andriy Yarmolenko

**5:** Tymerlan Huseynov

**5:** Serhiy Rebrov

**4:** Oleh Gusev

## 4: Oleh Protasov

**UEFA EURO and FIFA World Cup campaigns**

Season	Competition	Result	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
2016	EURO qualifying	Play-off for Final Tournament	12	7	2	3	17	5
2014	World Cup qualifying	Play-off for Final Tournament	12	7	3	2	30	7
2012	EURO finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	3	1	0	2	2	4
2010	World Cup qualifying	Play-off for Final Tournament	12	6	4	2	21	7
2008	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 4th in group	12	5	2	5	18	16
2006	World Cup finals	Quarter-finals	5	2	1	2	5	7
2006	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	12	7	4	1	18	7
2004	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	8	2	4	2	11	10
2002	World Cup qualifying	Play-off for Final Tournament	12	4	6	2	15	13
2000	EURO qualifying	Play-off for Final Tournament	12	5	6	1	16	7
1998	World Cup qualifying	Play-off for Final Tournament	12	6	3	3	11	9
1996	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 4th in group	10	4	1	5	11	15

## Ukraine - Head to head against teams in other pots

### Ukraine v Albania

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
08/10/2005	FIFA World Cup	Dnipropetrovsk (UKR)	Ukraine - Albania	2 - 2
09/02/2005	FIFA World Cup	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Ukraine	0 - 2
20/08/1997	FIFA World Cup	Kyiv (UKR)	Ukraine - Albania	1 - 0
29/03/1997	FIFA World Cup	Granada (ESP)	Albania - Ukraine	0 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	4	3	1	0	6	2
Friendlies	-	-	-	-	-	-

- Albania and Ukraine have never met in the UEFA European Championship.
- Ukraine have had the better of four FIFA World Cup qualifying encounters, claiming 1-0 wins home and away on the road to France '98 and taking four points off Albania ahead of the 2006 finals.
- It took until their fourth meeting for Albania to register a first point and first goal, Erjon Bogdani scoring twice to force a 2-2 draw in Dnipropetrovsk.

### Ukraine v Belgium

No previous meetings

- Belgium and Ukraine have never met.
- Belgium defeated a USSR team led by a Ukrainian coach, Valeriy Lobanovskiy, and featuring several Ukrainian players in a memorable last-16 encounter at the 1986 FIFA World Cup, winning 4-3 after extra time in Leon. One of those Ukrainians, Igor Belanov, scored a hat-trick and went on to receive that year's Ballon d'Or.

### Ukraine v Czech Republic

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	2	0	1	1	0	4

- The nations are yet to meet in a competitive international, playing each other only twice in friendlies.
- The first took place in September 2011. The Czech Republic won 4-0 in Prague thanks to a Michal Kadlec double and first international strikes for Jan Rezek and Daniel Kolář. It matched the heaviest defeat in Ukraine's history – against Croatia in 1995 and Spain in 2006 – a record that still stands.
- The most recent meeting, in Lviv in August 2012, ended goalless.

**Ukraine v England****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
10/09/2013	FIFA World Cup	Kyiv (UKR)	Ukraine - England	0 - 0
11/09/2012	FIFA World Cup	London (ENG)	England - Ukraine	1 - 1
19/06/2012	UEFA EURO	Donetsk (UKR)	England - Ukraine	1 - 0
10/10/2009	FIFA World Cup	Dnipropetrovsk (UKR)	Ukraine - England	1 - 0
01/04/2009	FIFA World Cup	London (ENG)	England - Ukraine	2 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	1	0	0	1	0	1
World Cup	4	1	2	1	3	3
Friendlies	2	0	0	2	0	5

- England eliminated co-hosts Ukraine from UEFA EURO 2012 with a 1-0 win in Donetsk, Wayne Rooney scoring from close range shortly after half-time.
- The nations traded home wins in the 2010 FIFA World Cup qualifying competition, but Ukraine's 1-0 victory at the Dnipro Arena was of little consequence to England as they had already qualified for the finals in South Africa.
- Paired again for the 2014 World Cup qualifying campaign, England needed a late Frank Lampard penalty to draw 1-1 at Wembley after Yevhen Konoplyanka's spectacular opener. A 0-0 draw in the Kyiv return proved useful in helping Roy Hodgson's team to qualify for Brazil and send Ukraine into the play-offs, where they lost to France.

**Ukraine v France****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
19/11/2013	FIFA World Cup	Saint-Denis (FRA)	France - Ukraine	3 - 0 (agg: 3-2)
15/11/2013	FIFA World Cup	Kyiv (UKR)	Ukraine - France	2 - 0
15/06/2012	UEFA EURO	Donetsk (UKR)	Ukraine - France	0 - 2
21/11/2007	UEFA EURO	Kyiv (UKR)	Ukraine - France	2 - 2
02/06/2007	UEFA EURO	Saint-Denis (FRA)	France - Ukraine	2 - 0
04/09/1999	UEFA EURO	Kyiv (UKR)	Ukraine - France	0 - 0
27/03/1999	UEFA EURO	Saint-Denis (FRA)	France - Ukraine	0 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	5	0	3	2	2	6
World Cup	2	1	0	1	2	3
Friendlies	2	0	0	2	1	5

- France defeated Ukraine 2-0 in Donetsk at UEFA EURO 2012 in a match delayed by thunderstorms, with Jérémy Ménez and Yohan Cabaye scoring the goals.
- The two teams met again in the play-offs for the 2014 FIFA World Cup, France recovering a 2-0 first-leg deficit to win 3-0 at the Stade de France and qualify for Brazil, where they got to the quarter-finals.
- The countries also locked horns in qualifying for UEFA EURO 2000 and UEFA EURO 2008, France successfully reaching both tournaments and Ukraine staying at home.



**Ukraine v Germany****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
14/11/2001	FIFA World Cup	Dortmund (GER)	Germany - Ukraine	4 - 1 (agg: 5-2)
10/11/2001	FIFA World Cup	Kyiv (UKR)	Ukraine - Germany	1 - 1
07/06/1997	FIFA World Cup	Kyiv (UKR)	Ukraine - Germany	0 - 0
30/04/1997	FIFA World Cup	Bremen (GER)	Germany - Ukraine	2 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	4	0	2	2	2	7
Friendlies	1	0	1	0	3	3

- Germany maintained their record of never having failed to qualify for the FIFA World Cup when they overcame Ukraine 5-2 on aggregate in a play-off for the 2002 tournament. The second leg in Dortmund, a 4-1 home win, was Ukraine's last match under Valeriy Lobanovskiy.
- The teams first met in qualifying for the 1998 World Cup. Oliver Bierhoff and Mario Basler scored Germany's goals in a 2-0 home win before a 0-0 draw in Kyiv.
- The first friendly between the countries took place on 11 November 2011 and produced a 3-3 thriller in the inaugural international staged at the refurbished UEFA EURO 2012 final venue in Kyiv. Germany came from 3-1 down to level with a 77th-minute strike from Thomas Müller; first-half goals from Andriy Yarmolenko and Yevhen Konoplyanka had put the hosts 2-0 up.

**Ukraine v Hungary**

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	2	0	0	2	2	5

- Hungary and Ukraine have yet to meet in a competitive fixture, although it was a USSR team full of Ukrainians – and with a Ukrainian coach in Valeriy Lobanovskiy – that overwhelmed their central European opponents 6-0 in the opening group game at the Mexico '86 FIFA World Cup.
- The only two friendlies between the nations took place shortly after Ukraine had regained independence, in 1992, Hungary winning both matches – 3-1 away in Uzhhorod and 2-1 at home in Nyiregyhaza.
- The Uzhhorod game was Ukraine's first international fixture, with Ivan Getsko's 90th-minute consolation strike their maiden goal.

**Ukraine v Iceland****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
08/09/1999	UEFA EURO	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Ukraine	0 - 1
31/03/1999	UEFA EURO	Kyiv (UKR)	Ukraine - Iceland	1 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	1	1	0	2	1
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	-	-	-	-	-	-

- The only two meetings between Iceland and Ukraine took place in qualifying for UEFA EURO 2000.
- Iceland held Ukraine to a 1-1 draw in Kyiv but lost 1-0 at home six months later to a Serhiy Rebrov penalty.
- The nations will meet in 2018 FIFA World Cup qualifying.

## Ukraine v Northern Ireland

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
06/09/2003	UEFA EURO	Donetsk (UKR)	Ukraine - Northern Ireland	0 - 0
16/10/2002	UEFA EURO	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Ukraine	0 - 0
02/04/1997	FIFA World Cup	Kyiv (UKR)	Ukraine - Northern Ireland	2 - 1
31/08/1996	FIFA World Cup	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Ukraine	0 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	0	2	0	0	0
World Cup	2	2	0	0	3	1
Friendlies	-	-	-	-	-	-

- Both previous UEFA European Championship matches between the countries – in qualification for UEFA EURO 2004 – ended goalless.

- In the teams' only other meetings, Ukraine did the double over Northern Ireland in 1998 FIFA World Cup qualifying. The winning goals came from Serhiy Rebrov in Belfast (1-0) and Andriy Shevchenko in Kyiv (2-1).

## Ukraine v Poland

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
11/10/2013	FIFA World Cup	Kharkiv (UKR)	Ukraine - Poland	1 - 0
22/03/2013	FIFA World Cup	Warsaw (POL)	Poland - Ukraine	1 - 3
06/10/2001	FIFA World Cup	Chorzow (POL)	Poland - Ukraine	1 - 1
02/09/2000	FIFA World Cup	Kyiv (UKR)	Ukraine - Poland	1 - 3

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	4	2	1	1	6	5
Friendlies	3	1	1	1	3	3

- Poland and Ukraine were co-hosts of UEFA EURO 2012; neither team progressed beyond the group stage.

- Poland won the first two meetings, including a 3-1 victory in Kyiv that helped them qualify for the 2002 FIFA World Cup, but Ukraine are undefeated in the last five. They did the double over their neighbours in 2014 World Cup qualifying.

- Andriy Yarmolenko scored in both matches – a 3-1 win in Warsaw and a 1-0 success in Kharkiv.

## Ukraine v Portugal

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
09/11/1996	FIFA World Cup	Porto (POR)	Portugal - Ukraine	1 - 0
05/10/1996	FIFA World Cup	Kyiv (UKR)	Ukraine - Portugal	2 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	2	1	0	1	2	2
Friendlies	-	-	-	-	-	-

- The countries' only two meetings took place in qualifying for the 1998 FIFA World Cup.

- Ukraine won the first fixture 2-1 in Kyiv thanks to goals from Serhiy Popov and Olexandr Maxymov, with Portugal

victorious a month later in Porto courtesy of Fernando Couto's strike. Neither team qualified for the finals in France as Germany topped the group.

- Portugal midfielder Miguel Veloso plays alongside a number of Ukraine internationals at Dynamo Kyiv.

### Ukraine v Republic of Ireland

No previous meetings

- The Republic of Ireland and Ukraine have never met.
- The USSR team that drew 1-1 with Ireland in a EURO '88 group game featured eight Dynamo Kyiv players, including scorer Oleh Protasov, and was coached by Ukrainian Valeriy Lobanovskiy.

### Ukraine v Romania

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	5	1	1	3	6	11

- There have been no competitive meetings between Romania and Ukraine.
- Romania have the better record in five friendly encounters with three wins to one, including the only away success – 2-0 in Donetsk in 2003. Romania's joint record scorer Adrian Mutu got both goals.
- Yevhen Konoplyanka scored his first international goal – on his second appearance for Ukraine – in their 3-2 friendly victory over Romania in Lviv in May 2010.

### Ukraine v Slovakia

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
08/09/2015	UEFA EURO	Zilina (SVK)	Slovakia - Ukraine	0 - 0
08/09/2014	UEFA EURO	Kyiv (UKR)	Ukraine - Slovakia	0 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	0	1	1	0	1
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	3	1	2	0	5	4

- Slovakia overcame Ukraine 1-0 in Moscow in their opening UEFA EURO 2016 qualifier, Róbert Mak scoring the only goal.
- A 0-0 draw in the return fixture proved equally crucial in taking Slovakia to their first EURO finals and helping to send Ukraine into the play-offs.
- Those were the first competitive fixtures between the nations, the three previous friendlies having yielded two 1-1 draws and a 3-2 win for Ukraine in neutral Cyprus.

**Ukraine v Spain****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
12/10/2015	UEFA EURO	Kyiv (UKR)	Ukraine - Spain	0 - 1
27/03/2015	UEFA EURO	Seville (ESP)	Spain - Ukraine	1 - 0
14/06/2006	FIFA World Cup	Leipzig (GER)	Spain - Ukraine	4 - 0
10/09/2003	UEFA EURO	Elche (ESP)	Spain - Ukraine	2 - 1
29/03/2003	UEFA EURO	Kyiv (UKR)	Ukraine - Spain	2 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	0	1	3	3	6
World Cup	1	0	0	1	0	4
Friendlies	-	-	-	-	-	-

- Vicente del Bosque's side recorded two 1-0 victories over Mykhailo Fomenko's Ukraine in UEFA EURO 2016 qualifying as Spain claimed top spot in Group C and Ukraine finished third. Álvaro Morata scored the winner in Seville, Mario Gaspar doing likewise in Kyiv.
- Spain beat Ukraine 4-0 in Leipzig on the latter's FIFA World Cup finals debut in 2006, David Villa scoring twice and Xabi Alonso and Fernando Torres once apiece.
- Ukraine winger Yevhen Konoplyanka moved to Sevilla after facing the Spanish club in the 2015 UEFA Europa League final while at Dnipro Dnipropetrovsk.

**Ukraine v Sweden****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
11/06/2012	UEFA EURO	Kyiv (UKR)	Ukraine - Sweden	2 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	1	1	0	0	2	1
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	3	1	1	1	2	2

- Co-hosts Ukraine got off to a winning start at UEFA EURO 2012 as two Andriy Shevchenko headers gave them a 2-1 victory against Sweden in Kyiv after Zlatan Ibrahimović had opened the scoring. Neither team reached the knockout phase.
- Those were Shevchenko's last two goals for his country, leaving Ukraine's record scorer with a final total of 48 in 111 appearances.
- The teams had met twice the previous year, a 1-1 draw in neutral Nicosia (which Ukraine won 5-4 on penalties) being followed by a 1-0 win for Sweden in Kharkiv, where Tobias Hysén scored the winner in added time.

**Ukraine v Turkey****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
07/09/2005	FIFA World Cup	Kyiv (UKR)	Ukraine - Turkey	0 - 1
17/11/2004	FIFA World Cup	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Ukraine	0 - 3

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	2	1	0	1	3	1
Friendlies	4	0	1	3	2	8

- Yet to meet in the UEFA European Championship, the countries' paths have crossed in only one FIFA World Cup qualifying phase. Ukraine won the group ahead of second-placed Turkey to reach the 2006 finals in Germany.
- Ukraine won the first qualifier 3-0 in Istanbul, Andriy Shevchenko scoring twice, but lost the home fixture 1-0 to a Tümer Metin goal.
- Turkey maintained an unbeaten record against Ukraine in friendlies when they last met, in June 2012 in the German town of Ingolstadt. Caner Erkin and Mustafa Pektemek scored their first international goals in a 2-0 win.

## Ukraine v Wales

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
06/06/2001	FIFA World Cup	Kyiv (UKR)	Ukraine - Wales	1 - 1
28/03/2001	FIFA World Cup	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Ukraine	1 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	2	0	2	0	2	2
Friendlies	-	-	-	-	-	-

- Ukraine and Wales were paired in the same qualifying group for the 2002 FIFA World Cup. Both games ended 1-1, Andriy Shevchenko equalising John Hartson's opener in Cardiff and Mark Pembroke cancelling out Hennadiy Zubov's strike in Kyiv.
- Those are the only meetings between the nations.

## Team profiles: Pot 3


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 Czech Republic

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## Czech Republic

### Czech Republic - Team profile

**Best result:** winners 1976 (as Czechoslovakia)

**Coach:** Pavel Vrba

**Leading scorers:** all-time – Jan Koller (55); current – Tomáš Rosický (22)

**Most appearances:** all-time – Karel Poborský, Petr Čech (118); current – Petr Čech (118)

**Association formed:** 1901

**Nickname:** Národní tým (National side)

**Where they play:** Various

The Czech Republic have only been competing as an independent nation since 1994, yet in that time the country has qualified for every UEFA European Championship, finishing runners-up at EURO '96 – their first major tournament – and reaching the semi-finals of UEFA EURO 2004. In contrast their qualifying record for the FIFA World Cup has been disappointing, reaching only the 2006 tournament in Germany, where they were eliminated at the group stage. The former Czechoslovakia lifted the European title in 1976, defeating West Germany on penalties in the final, and were twice beaten finalists in the World Cup (1934, 1962).

#### EURO pedigree

##### Matches played

**Overall:** P145 W89 D26 L30 F278 A129

**Final tournament:** P29 W13 D5 L11 F40 A38

**Qualifying:** P116 W76 D21 L19 F238 A91

The Czech Republic reached the quarter-finals at UEFA EURO 2012, their fifth EURO final tournament since the 1993 dissolution of Czechoslovakia. They lost the EURO '96 final to Germany, Oliver Bierhoff's golden goal inflicting a 2-1 defeat, and suffered more extra-time disappointment in the last four against Greece eight years later.

En route to UEFA EURO 2000 they became only the second side to negotiate qualifying with a 100% record, only to exit in the group stage, as they would do in 2008. Not so in 1976, when Prague-born Antonín Panenka's memorable spot kick earned Czechoslovakia the European title with a 5-3 shoot-out victory against West Germany following a 2-2 draw in Belgrade. The Czechs came third in their championship defence four years later.

#### Memorable EURO matches

##### 19/06/04: Netherlands 2-3 Czech Republic, UEFA EURO 2004 group stage

The Czechs came from 2-0 down to reach the quarter-finals in dramatic fashion.

##### 26/06/96: France 0-0 Czech Republic (5-6 on pens), EURO '96 semi-finals

Petr Kouba was the hero at Old Trafford, denying Reynald Pedros in sudden death to take Dušan Uhrin's team into the showpiece.

##### 20/06/76 Czechoslovakia 2-2 West Germany (5-3 on pens), 1976 UEFA European Championship final

Panenka's decisive audacious chipped penalty sealed the title and stands time immemorial.

#### Did you know?

The Czech Republic won their group at UEFA EURO 2012 despite opening the finals with a 4-1 loss to Russia.

\*Last updated 18/11/2015

## Czech Republic - Coach profile

### Pavel Vrba

**Date of birth:** 6 December 1963

**Nationality:** Czech

**Playing career:** FC Baník Ostrava (twice), TJ Železářny Prostějov, RH Cheb, TJ Baník Havířov, FC Přerov

**Coaching career:** FC Přerov, FC Baník Ostrava (youth, assistant), Czech Republic Under-20, FK Púchov, MŠK Žilina, Slovakia (assistant), FC Viktoria Plzeň, Czech Republic

- The defender was part of the Czechoslovakia side that reached the final of the 1982 UEFA European Under-18 Championship and also appeared at the FIFA U-20 World Cup the following year; the Czechs lost in the quarter-finals to a Brazil team including Bebeto and Dunga.
- His club career did not hit the same heights, Vrba making a handful of appearances for Cheb and Baník before finishing his playing days in the lower leagues with home-town side Přerov.
- Returned to Baník as a youth coach and also went back to the U-20 World Cup, taking charge of the Czech Republic in the 2003 edition. Became assistant at Baník and – despite a 7-0 loss to SK Slavia Praha when he was in temporary control in May 2003 – ended the next season with the league title.
- That summer crossed the border into Slovakia, winning a championship as head coach of Žilina in 2007, by which time he was also working as assistant to Ján Kocián with the Slovak national team.
- Moved on to Plzeň in 2008, collecting the Czech Cup in his second season – when he was voted the country's coach of the year – and the league in 2011. Led Viktoria into the UEFA Champions League group stage for the first time in 2011/12 and repeated the trick two years later following another title in 2013. In November 2013, he agreed to take the Czech Republic helm at the close of Plzeň's group stage campaign and led the national team to UEFA EURO 2016.



## Czech Republic - Team facts

### EURO record

	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
Overall	145	89	26	30	278	129
Final tournament	29	13	5	11	40	38
Qualifying	116	76	21	19	238	91

### UEFA European Championship records: Czech Republic

#### History

2012 – quarter-finals

2008 – group stage

2004 – semi-finals

2000 – group stage

1996 – runners-up

1992 – did not qualify (as Czechoslovakia)

1988 – did not qualify (as Czechoslovakia)

1984 – did not qualify (as Czechoslovakia)

1980 – third place (as Czechoslovakia)

1976 – winners (as Czechoslovakia)

1972 – did not qualify (as Czechoslovakia)

1968 – did not qualify (as Czechoslovakia)

1964 – did not qualify (as Czechoslovakia)

1960 – third place (as Czechoslovakia)

#### Final tournament win

**3-0:** Czech Republic v Denmark, 27/06/04

#### Final tournament defeat

**4-1:** Russia v Czech Republic, 08/06/12

**0-3:** Czechoslovakia v USSR, 06/07/60

#### Qualifying win

**7-0:** Czech Republic v San Marino, 07/10/06

#### Qualifying defeat

**3-0:** England v Czechoslovakia, 30/10/74

**3-0:** Finland v Czechoslovakia, 09/09/87

#### Final tournament appearances

**14:** Karel Poborský

**12:** Pavel Nedvěd

**11:** Vladimír Šmicer

**11:** Petr Čech

**10:** Jan Koller

**10:** Milan Baroš

#### Final tournament goals

**5:** Milan Baroš

**4:** Vladimír Šmicer

**3:** Jan Koller

**3:** Zdeněk Nehoda

#### Overall appearances

**47:** Petr Čech

**39:** Tomáš Rosický

**35:** Jan Koller

**34:** Karel Poborský

**34:** Jaroslav Plašil

**31:** Milan Baroš

**31:** Pavel Nedvěd

**31:** Jiří Němec

**30:** Pavel Kuka

**Overall goals****21:** Jan Koller**12:** Patrik Berger**12:** Milan Baroš**9:** Vladimír Šmicer**9:** Zdeněk Nehoda**UEFA EURO and FIFA World Cup campaigns**

Season	Competition	Result	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
2016	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group	10	7	1	2	19	14
2014	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	10	4	3	3	13	9
2012	EURO finals	Quarter-finals	4	2	0	2	4	6
2012	EURO qualifying	Play-off for Final Tournament (qualified)	10	6	1	3	15	8
2010	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	10	4	4	2	17	6
2008	EURO finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	3	1	0	2	4	6
2008	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	12	9	2	1	27	5
2006	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	3	1	0	2	3	4
2006	World Cup qualifying	Play-off for Final Tournament (qualified)	14	11	0	3	37	12
2004	EURO finals	Semi-finals	5	4	0	1	10	5
2004	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	8	7	1	0	23	5
2002	World Cup qualifying	Play-off for Final Tournament	12	6	2	4	20	10
2000	EURO finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	3	1	0	2	3	3
2000	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 1st in group (qualified)	10	10	0	0	26	5
1998	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	10	5	1	4	16	6
1996	EURO finals	Final	6	2	2	2	7	8
1996	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 1st in group (qualified)	10	6	3	1	21	6
1994	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	10	4	5	1	21	9
1992	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 2nd in group	8	5	0	3	12	9
1990	World Cup finals	Quarter-finals	5	3	0	2	10	5
1990	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group (qualified)	8	5	2	1	13	3
1988	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 2nd in group	6	2	3	1	7	5
1986	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 4th in group	8	3	2	3	11	12
1984	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 3rd in group	8	3	4	1	15	7
1982	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	3	0	2	1	2	4
1982	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group (qualified)	8	4	2	2	15	6
1980	EURO finals	3rd place	4	1	2	1	5	4
1980	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 1st in group (qualified)	6	5	0	1	17	4
1978	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	4	2	0	2	4	6
1976	EURO finals	Winner	2	1	1	0	5	3
1976	EURO qualifying	Quarter-finals (qualified)	8	5	2	1	19	7
1974	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	4	2	1	1	9	3
1972	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 2nd in group	6	4	1	1	11	4
1970	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 4th in group	3	0	0	3	2	7
1970	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	7	5	1	1	16	7
1968	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 2nd in group	6	3	1	2	8	4
1966	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	6	3	1	2	12	4
1964	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round	2	0	1	1	2	3
1962	World Cup finals	Final	6	3	1	2	7	7

**UEFA EURO and FIFA World Cup campaigns**

1962	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	5	4	0	1	20	7
1960	EURO finals	3rd place	2	1	0	1	2	3
1960	EURO qualifying	Quarter-finals (qualified)	6	4	1	1	16	5
1958	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	4	1	1	2	9	6
1958	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	4	3	0	1	9	3
1954	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	2	0	0	2	0	7
1954	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	4	3	1	0	5	1
1938	World Cup finals	Quarter-finals	3	1	1	1	5	3
1938	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	2	1	1	0	7	1
1934	World Cup finals	Final	4	3	0	1	9	6
1934	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	1	1	0	0	2	1

## Czech Republic - Head to head against teams in other pots

### Czech Republic v Albania

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
16/10/1991	UEFA EURO	Olomouc (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Albania	2 - 1
01/05/1991	UEFA EURO	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Czechoslovakia	0 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	2	0	0	4	1
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	3	1	0	2	6	5

- Albania and the Czech Republic have never met.
- Albania faced Czechoslovakia on five occasions – three times in friendly internationals during the 1950s and twice in qualifying for EURO '92.
- Czechoslovakia claimed the points in both competitive encounters, winning 2-0 in Tirana and 2-1 in Olomouc. Neither side qualified for the finals in Sweden.

### Czech Republic v Austria

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
11/10/2003	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Czech Republic	2 - 3
02/04/2003	UEFA EURO	Prague (CZE)	Czech Republic - Austria	4 - 0
15/06/1990	FIFA World Cup	Florence (ITA)	Austria - Czechoslovakia	0 - 1
19/06/1954	FIFA World Cup	Zurich (SUI)	Austria - Czechoslovakia	5 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	2	0	0	7	2
World Cup	2	1	0	1	1	5
Friendlies	35	15	11	9	65	48

- The central European rivals met in the UEFA EURO 2004 qualifiers. Czech all-time top scorer Jan Koller was the decisive figure, scoring the late winner in Vienna (3-2) and twice in the 4-0 home victory in Prague.
- Austria have the better record in friendlies, having won two, drawn one and lost none. They were victors on Czech soil in the teams' most recent meeting, in June 2014, when Marcel Sabitzer and Julian Baumgartlinger scored in a 2-1 win in Olomouc.
- Austria have met Czechoslovakia twice at FIFA World Cup finals. They won 5-0 in 1954 with the aid of an Erich Probst hat-trick but lost 1-0 in Florence in the group stage of Italia '90, Michal Bilek scoring the winner from the penalty spot.

**Czech Republic v Belgium****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
14/11/2001	FIFA World Cup	Prague (CZE)	Czech Republic - Belgium	0 - 1 (agg: 0-2)
10/11/2001	FIFA World Cup	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Czech Republic	1 - 0
17/11/1993	FIFA World Cup	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Czechoslovakia	0 - 0
02/09/1992	FIFA World Cup	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Belgium	1 - 2
29/04/1989	FIFA World Cup	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Czechoslovakia	2 - 1
16/11/1988	FIFA World Cup	Bratislava (SVK)	Czechoslovakia - Belgium	0 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	6	0	2	4	2	6
Friendlies	9	8	1	0	25	9

- The only competitive fixtures between the countries came in a play-off for the 2002 FIFA World Cup, Belgium winning both legs 1-0. Current Red Devils head coach Marc Wilmots scored the decisive penalty in Prague, his seventh goal of that qualifying competition.
- The Czech Republic have won both friendlies staged in the past decade, 2-0 in Brussels in February 2007 and 3-1 in Teplice in August 2009. Belgium defender Jan Vertonghen scored his first international goal in the latter game.
- Czechoslovakia won their first five matches against Belgium – all friendlies – but Belgium were undefeated in the four competitive internationals between the sides as they qualified for the 1990 and 1994 World Cups.

**Czech Republic v Croatia**

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	2	0	1	1	3	5

- The nations drew 1-1 in their first meeting at a tournament in Casablanca in December 1996, Croatia winning 4-1 on penalties to lift the King Hassan II Cup.
- Croatia forward Nikola Kalinić scored twice in a 4-2 friendly win in Pula in February 2012 – the first time the Czech Republic had conceded four goals in a game.
- Czech captain Tomáš Rosický scored his 20th international goal in that Pula defeat.

**Czech Republic v England****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
20/06/1982	FIFA World Cup	Bilbao (ESP)	England - Czechoslovakia	2 - 0
30/10/1975	UEFA EURO	Bratislava (SVK)	Czechoslovakia - England	2 - 1
30/10/1974	UEFA EURO	London (ENG)	England - Czechoslovakia	3 - 0
11/06/1970	FIFA World Cup	Guadalajara (MEX)	England - Czechoslovakia	1 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	1	0	1	2	4
World Cup	2	0	0	2	0	3
Friendlies	10	1	4	5	15	22

- There have been no competitive meetings between the Czech Republic and England. The two friendlies – both at Wembley – resulted in a 2-0 win for the hosts in 1998 and, ten years later, a 2-2 draw in which England's Joe Cole

scored an added-time equaliser.

- England defeated Czechoslovakia in their two major tournament encounters – 1-0 at the 1970 FIFA World Cup in Guadalajara, Mexico and 2-0 at the 1982 tournament in Bilbao, Spain.
- En route to becoming champions of Europe in 1976, Czechoslovakia topped their group ahead of England despite losing 3-0 at Wembley. They made amends with a 2-1 win in Bratislava.
- Czech goalkeeper Petr Čech had 11 years at Chelsea before joining London rivals Arsenal in the summer of 2015.

## Czech Republic v France

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
16/06/2000	UEFA EURO	Bruges (BEL)	Czech Republic - France	1 - 2
26/06/1996	UEFA EURO	Manchester (ENG)	France - Czech Republic	0 - 0 (5-6p)
04/09/1991	UEFA EURO	Bratislava (SVK)	Czechoslovakia - France	1 - 2
13/10/1990	UEFA EURO	Paris (FRA)	France - Czechoslovakia	2 - 1
24/06/1982	FIFA World Cup	Valladolid (ESP)	France - Czechoslovakia	1 - 1
17/11/1979	UEFA EURO	Paris (FRA)	France - Czechoslovakia	2 - 1
04/04/1979	UEFA EURO	Bratislava (SVK)	Czechoslovakia - France	2 - 0
09/07/1960	UEFA EURO	Marseille (FRA)	Czechoslovakia - France	2 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	7	2	1	4	8	8
World Cup	1	0	1	0	1	1
Friendlies	15	7	4	4	26	23

- The Czech Republic reached the final of EURO '96 by defeating France on penalties after a 0-0 draw at Old Trafford. Czech captain Miroslav Kadleč scored the decisive spot kick.
- Four years later it was France's turn to triumph, beating the Czechs 2-1 in the group stage of UEFA EURO 2000 en route to lifting the trophy.
- The only meeting since then was a 2-0 Czech win at the Stade de France in a December 2003 friendly. It was the sole reverse suffered by then France coach Jacques Santini until his team lost 1-0 to Greece at UEFA EURO 2004.
- Czechoslovakia overcame France 2-0 in Marseille to finish third at the 1960 UEFA European Championship (or European Nations' Cup).
- Long-serving Czech midfielder Jaroslav Plašil plays his club football in France with Bordeaux.

**Czech Republic v Germany****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
17/10/2007	UEFA EURO	Munich (GER)	Germany - Czech Republic	0 - 3
24/03/2007	UEFA EURO	Prague (CZE)	Czech Republic - Germany	1 - 2
23/06/2004	UEFA EURO	Lisbon (POR)	Germany - Czech Republic	1 - 2
30/06/1996	UEFA EURO	London (ENG)	Czech Republic - Germany	1 - 2
09/06/1996	UEFA EURO	Manchester (ENG)	Germany - Czech Republic	2 - 0
01/07/1990	FIFA World Cup	Milan (ITA)	Czechoslovakia - Germany	0 - 1
17/11/1985	FIFA World Cup	Munich (GER)	Germany - Czechoslovakia	2 - 2
30/04/1985	FIFA World Cup	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Germany	1 - 5
11/06/1980	UEFA EURO	Rome (ITA)	Czechoslovakia - Germany	0 - 1
20/06/1976	UEFA EURO	Belgrade (SRB)	Czechoslovakia - Germany	2 - 2 (5-3p)
11/06/1958	FIFA World Cup	Helsinki (FIN)	Germany - Czechoslovakia	2 - 2
03/06/1934	FIFA World Cup	Rome (ITA)	Czechoslovakia - Germany	3 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	7	2	1	4	9	10
World Cup	5	1	2	2	8	11
Friendlies	11	2	1	8	16	25

- Germany beat the Czech Republic twice at EURO '96, 2-0 in the group stage and then 2-1 in the final at Wembley thanks to Oliver Bierhoff's extra-time golden goal. The Wembley win was revenge of a sort after West Germany lost the final of the 1976 UEFA European Championship to Czechoslovakia on penalties in Belgrade.
- The Czechs knocked Germany out of UEFA EURO 2004, Milan Baroš coming off the bench to score the winning goal and give his team a maximum nine points from their three group games.
- The countries both qualified for UEFA EURO 2008 with ease from the same group. Each beat the other away from home, Germany prevailing 2-1 in Prague and the Czech Republic winning 3-0 in Munich, Jaroslav Plašil completing the scoring. The Czechs, who have not played Germany since, were group winners.
- Germany and the Czech Republic have been drawn together in qualifying for the 2018 FIFA World Cup.

**Czech Republic v Iceland****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
12/06/2015	UEFA EURO	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Czech Republic	2 - 1
16/11/2014	UEFA EURO	Pízen (CZE)	Czech Republic - Iceland	2 - 1
01/09/2001	FIFA World Cup	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Czech Republic	3 - 1
07/10/2000	FIFA World Cup	Teplice (CZE)	Czech Republic - Iceland	4 - 0
05/06/1991	UEFA EURO	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Czechoslovakia	0 - 1
26/09/1990	UEFA EURO	Košice (SVK)	Czechoslovakia - Iceland	1 - 0
23/09/1981	FIFA World Cup	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Czechoslovakia	1 - 1
27/05/1981	FIFA World Cup	Bratislava (SVK)	Czechoslovakia - Iceland	6 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	3	0	1	5	3
World Cup	4	2	1	1	12	5
Friendlies	2	2	0	0	4	2

- The Czech Republic and Iceland qualified for UEFA EURO 2016 from the same group, the Czechs taking top spot two points ahead of their second-placed rivals. The teams each came from a goal down to beat the other 2-1 at

home; both also did the double over group top seeds the Netherlands.

- The two nations' only previous qualifying campaign in the same group, for the 2002 FIFA World Cup, ended with disappointment for both. Iceland finished fourth and runners-up the Czech Republic lost their play-off against Belgium. The head-to-head fixtures were both won by the home team.
- Iceland lost four and drew one of their five games against Czechoslovakia.

### Czech Republic v Italy

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
10/09/2013	FIFA World Cup	Turin (ITA)	Italy - Czech Republic	2 - 1
07/06/2013	FIFA World Cup	Prague (CZE)	Czech Republic - Italy	0 - 0
22/06/2006	FIFA World Cup	Hamburg (GER)	Czech Republic - Italy	0 - 2
14/06/1996	UEFA EURO	Liverpool (ENG)	Czech Republic - Italy	2 - 1
19/06/1990	FIFA World Cup	Rome (ITA)	Italy - Czechoslovakia	2 - 0
16/11/1983	UEFA EURO	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Italy	2 - 0
13/11/1982	UEFA EURO	Milan (ITA)	Italy - Czechoslovakia	2 - 2
21/06/1980	UEFA EURO	Naples (ITA)	Czechoslovakia - Italy	1 - 1 (9-8p)
10/06/1934	FIFA World Cup	Rome (ITA)	Italy - Czechoslovakia	2 - 1 (aet)

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	2	2	0	7	4
World Cup	5	0	1	4	2	8
Friendlies	23	8	8	7	35	34

- Paired in 2014 FIFA World Cup qualifying, Italy reached Brazil at the Czech Republic's expense. The teams drew 0-0 in Prague; three months later, Italy came from behind to win 2-1 in Turin with two goals in four second-half minutes from Giorgio Chiellini and a Mario Balotelli penalty.
- Pavel Nedvěd, a legendary footballer in both countries, scored his first international goal in the Czech Republic's 2-1 victory over Italy at EURO '96.
- Nedvěd's last competitive appearance for his country was the 2-0 defeat by Italy that eliminated the Czech Republic from the 2006 World Cup. The Czechs played the second half with ten men following Jan Polák's red card, Marco Materazzi and Filippo Inzaghi getting the goals.



**Czech Republic v Northern Ireland****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
14/10/2009	FIFA World Cup	Prague (CZE)	Czech Republic - Northern Ireland	0 - 0
10/09/2008	FIFA World Cup	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Czech Republic	0 - 0
06/06/2001	FIFA World Cup	Teplice (CZE)	Czech Republic - Northern Ireland	3 - 1
24/03/2001	FIFA World Cup	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Czech Republic	0 - 1
17/06/1958	FIFA World Cup	Malmö (SWE)	Northern Ireland - Czechoslovakia	2 - 1 (aet)
08/06/1958	FIFA World Cup	Halmstad (SWE)	Northern Ireland - Czechoslovakia	1 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	6	2	2	2	5	4
Friendlies	-	-	-	-	-	-

- Although the nations are yet to contest a UEFA European Championship match, they have twice been drawn in the same FIFA World Cup qualifying group.
- The Czech Republic did the double over Northern Ireland on the road to the 2002 tournament but were held to two goalless draws in qualification for the 2010 event. Neither country qualified for the finals in Korea/Japan or South Africa.
- The nations will be in opposition again in qualifying for the 2018 World Cup.

**Czech Republic v Portugal****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
21/06/2012	UEFA EURO	Warsaw (POL)	Czech Republic - Portugal	0 - 1
11/06/2008	UEFA EURO	Geneva (SUI)	Czech Republic - Portugal	1 - 3
23/06/1996	UEFA EURO	Birmingham (ENG)	Czech Republic - Portugal	1 - 0
15/11/1989	FIFA World Cup	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Czechoslovakia	0 - 0
06/10/1989	FIFA World Cup	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Portugal	2 - 1
25/09/1985	FIFA World Cup	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Portugal	1 - 0
14/10/1984	FIFA World Cup	Porto (POR)	Portugal - Czechoslovakia	2 - 1
12/11/1975	UEFA EURO	Porto (POR)	Portugal - Czechoslovakia	1 - 1
30/04/1975	UEFA EURO	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Portugal	5 - 0
31/10/1965	FIFA World Cup	Porto (POR)	Portugal - Czechoslovakia	0 - 0
25/04/1965	FIFA World Cup	Bratislava (SVK)	Czechoslovakia - Portugal	0 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	5	2	1	2	8	5
World Cup	6	2	2	2	4	4
Friendlies	1	0	0	1	0	1

- The two countries have crossed paths at each of the last two UEFA European Championship final tournaments, with Portugal emerging triumphant on both occasions. In 2008 they won 3-1 in Geneva, Cristiano Ronaldo hitting the second goal, and he was also the match winner in 2012, scoring the only goal of the Warsaw quarter-final 11

minutes from time.

- The teams' first – and only other – meeting was also at the EURO finals, Karel Poborský's improvised lob deciding the 1996 quarter-final at Villa Park.
- The Czecholovakia team that won the 1976 UEFA European Championship beat Portugal 5-0 at home in the qualifying round, Zdeněk Nehoda scoring two of the goals.

### Czech Republic v Republic of Ireland

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
12/09/2007	UEFA EURO	Prague (CZE)	Czech Republic - Republic of Ireland	1 - 0
11/10/2006	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Czech Republic	1 - 1
07/10/1969	FIFA World Cup	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Republic of Ireland	3 - 0
04/05/1969	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Czechoslovakia	1 - 2
22/11/1967	UEFA EURO	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Republic of Ireland	1 - 2
21/05/1967	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Czechoslovakia	0 - 2
29/10/1961	FIFA World Cup	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Republic of Ireland	7 - 1
08/10/1961	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Czechoslovakia	1 - 3
10/05/1959	UEFA EURO	Bratislava (SVK)	Czechoslovakia - Republic of Ireland	4 - 0 (agg: 4-2)
05/04/1959	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Czechoslovakia	2 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	6	3	1	2	9	5
World Cup	4	4	0	0	15	3
Friendlies	10	4	2	4	18	15

- The Czech Republic have met the Republic of Ireland eight times but only twice in competitive fixtures, drawing 1-1 in Dublin and winning 1-0 in Prague en route to qualifying for UEFA EURO 2008.
- After defeats in their first three friendlies against the Czech Republic – one at home, two away – in February 2000 a 19-year-old Robbie Keane struck an 87th-minute winner in Dublin to give Ireland a 3-2 victory.
- The teams last met in the Irish capital in February 2012, Simon Cox scoring late on to equalise Milan Baroš's earlier strike. That was the Czech striker's 40th, and penultimate, international goal.

**Czech Republic v Russia****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
08/06/2012	UEFA EURO	Wroclaw (POL)	Russia - Czech Republic	4 - 1
19/06/1996	UEFA EURO	Liverpool (ENG)	Russia - Czech Republic	3 - 3
29/11/1981	FIFA World Cup	Bratislava (SVK)	Czechoslovakia - USSR	1 - 1
28/10/1981	FIFA World Cup	Tbilisi (GEO)	USSR - Czechoslovakia	2 - 0
22/05/1976	UEFA EURO	Kyiv (UKR)	USSR - Czechoslovakia	2 - 2 (agg: 2-4)
24/04/1976	UEFA EURO	Bratislava (SVK)	Czechoslovakia - USSR	2 - 0
06/07/1960	UEFA EURO	Marseille (FRA)	Czechoslovakia - USSR	0 - 3

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	5	1	2	2	8	12
World Cup	2	0	1	1	1	3
Friendlies	7	1	2	4	7	13

- Russia defeated the Czech Republic 4-1 in their opening match of UEFA EURO 2012 in Wroclaw, Alan Dzagoev scoring twice. However, subsequent results meant the Czechs qualified for the quarter-finals while Russia went home after three matches.
- The countries' only previous meeting came at EURO '96, when an exciting 3-3 draw at Anfield in the final group game enabled the Czechs to advance to the quarter-finals at Italy's expense. The final equalising goal came from Vladimír Šmicer a minute from time after Russia had recovered from two goals down to lead 3-2.
- The USSR beat Czechoslovakia 3-0 in the semi-finals of the inaugural UEFA European Championship in 1960, with two goals from Valentin Ivanov and one from Viktor Ponedelnik.

**Czech Republic v Spain****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
07/10/2011	UEFA EURO	Prague (CZE)	Czech Republic - Spain	0 - 2
25/03/2011	UEFA EURO	Granada (ESP)	Spain - Czech Republic	2 - 1
08/06/1997	FIFA World Cup	Valladolid (ESP)	Spain - Czech Republic	1 - 0
09/10/1996	FIFA World Cup	Prague (CZE)	Czech Republic - Spain	0 - 0
13/11/1991	UEFA EURO	Seville (ESP)	Spain - Czechoslovakia	2 - 1
14/11/1990	UEFA EURO	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Spain	3 - 2
22/10/1967	UEFA EURO	Madrid (ESP)	Spain - Czechoslovakia	2 - 1
01/10/1967	UEFA EURO	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Spain	1 - 0
31/05/1962	FIFA World Cup	Vina Del Mar (CHI)	Czechoslovakia - Spain	1 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	6	2	0	4	7	10
World Cup	3	1	1	1	1	1
Friendlies	7	4	1	2	8	5

- Spain qualified for the 1998 FIFA World Cup at the Czechs' expense. The only goal in their two qualifying meetings was a penalty converted by Fernando Hierro; Raúl González won the first of his 102 caps in Prague in October 1996.
- The teams also met in UEFA EURO 2012 qualifying. David Villa scored twice for Spain in a 2-1 win in Granada, with Juan Mata and Xabi Alonso on target in Spain's 2-0 away victory.
- Jaroslav Plašil, the Czech midfielder, was at Spanish club CA Osasuna between 2007 and 2009, scoring eight goals in 66 Liga appearances.

**Czech Republic v Switzerland****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
07/06/2008	UEFA EURO	Basel (SUI)	Switzerland - Czech Republic	0 - 1
25/10/1989	FIFA World Cup	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Switzerland	3 - 0
07/06/1989	FIFA World Cup	Berne (SUI)	Switzerland - Czechoslovakia	0 - 1
31/05/1934	FIFA World Cup	Rome (ITA)	Czechoslovakia - Switzerland	3 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	1	1	0	0	1	0
World Cup	3	3	0	0	7	2
Friendlies	25	13	5	7	55	38

- The Czech Republic were UEFA EURO 2008 co-hosts Switzerland's opening match opponents in Basel and spoiled their party by claiming a 1-0 win through Václav Svěrkoš's 71st-minute goal. Neither of the teams reached the knockout phase.
- Prior to that first competitive meeting there were three friendlies between the countries in the 1990s; Switzerland won the first and the Czech Republic the next two.
- Czech goalkeeper Tomáš Vaclík and defender Marek Suchý both play for Swiss champions Basel alongside Swiss internationals Breel Embolo, Michael Lang and Luca Zuffi.

**Czech Republic v Turkey****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
10/10/2015	UEFA EURO	Prague (CZE)	Czech Republic - Turkey	0 - 2
10/10/2014	UEFA EURO	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Czech Republic	1 - 2
15/06/2008	UEFA EURO	Geneva (SUI)	Turkey - Czech Republic	3 - 2
15/04/1981	FIFA World Cup	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Czechoslovakia	0 - 3
03/12/1980	FIFA World Cup	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Turkey	2 - 0
15/11/1967	UEFA EURO	Ankara (TUR)	Turkey - Czechoslovakia	0 - 0
18/06/1967	UEFA EURO	Bratislava (SVK)	Czechoslovakia - Turkey	3 - 0
21/11/1965	FIFA World Cup	Brno (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Turkey	3 - 1
09/10/1965	FIFA World Cup	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Czechoslovakia	0 - 6

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	5	2	1	2	7	6
World Cup	4	4	0	0	14	1
Friendlies	9	5	2	2	18	7

- The teams qualified together for UEFA EURO 2016 from Group A, the Czech Republic taking top spot and Turkey going through as the best third-placed team. Each beat the other away from home, the Czechs winning 2-1 in Istanbul thanks to Bořek Dočkal's winner; Turkey turned the tables with a 2-0 triumph in Prague through a Selçuk İnan penalty and Hakan Çalhanoğlu.
- The only other competitive meeting was a five-goal thriller at UEFA EURO 2008, Turkey coming from two down to win 3-2 in Geneva. Two late Nihat Kahveci goals took them into the quarter-finals while eliminating their opponents.
- Czech defender Tomáš Sivok, striker Tomáš Necid (both Bursaspor) and defender Michal Kadlec (Fenerbahçe) all play in the Turkish Süper Lig.

**Czech Republic v Ukraine**

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	2	1	1	0	4	0

- The nations are yet to meet in a competitive international, playing each other only twice in friendlies.
- The first took place in September 2011. The Czech Republic won 4-0 in Prague thanks to a Michal Kadlec double and first international strikes for Jan Rezek and Daniel Kolář. It matched the heaviest defeat in Ukraine's history – against Croatia in 1995 and Spain in 2006 – a record that still stands.
- The most recent meeting, in Lviv in August 2012, ended goalless.

**Czech Republic v Wales****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
02/06/2007	UEFA EURO	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Czech Republic	0 - 0
02/09/2006	UEFA EURO	Teplice (CZE)	Czech Republic - Wales	2 - 1
08/09/1993	FIFA World Cup	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Czechoslovakia	2 - 2
28/04/1993	FIFA World Cup	Ostrava (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Wales	1 - 1
11/11/1987	UEFA EURO	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Wales	2 - 0
29/04/1987	UEFA EURO	Wrexham (WAL)	Wales - Czechoslovakia	1 - 1
09/09/1981	FIFA World Cup	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Wales	2 - 0
19/11/1980	FIFA World Cup	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Czechoslovakia	1 - 0
16/11/1977	FIFA World Cup	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Wales	1 - 0
30/03/1977	FIFA World Cup	Wrexham (WAL)	Wales - Czechoslovakia	3 - 0
27/10/1971	UEFA EURO	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Wales	1 - 0
21/04/1971	UEFA EURO	Swansea (WAL)	Wales - Czechoslovakia	1 - 3
26/05/1957	FIFA World Cup	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Wales	2 - 0
01/05/1957	FIFA World Cup	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Czechoslovakia	1 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	6	4	2	0	9	3
World Cup	8	3	2	3	8	8
Friendlies	1	0	1	0	0	0

- Czech striker David Lafata came off the bench to score two goals on his international debut, the second in the 89th minute, as Wales were defeated 2-1 in Prague in their opening UEFA EURO 2008 qualifier.
- The return fixture, a 0-0 draw in Cardiff, was Ryan Giggs' 64th and last international appearance for Wales. The two nations have not played each other since.
- Czech goalkeeper Petr Čech and midfielder Tomáš Rosický are club colleagues of Wales's Aaron Ramsey at Arsenal.

 **Sweden****Sweden - Team profile**

**Best result:** semi-finals 1992

**Coach:** Erik Hamrén

**Leading scorers:** all-time – Zlatan Ibrahimović (62); current – Zlatan Ibrahimović (62)

**Most appearances:** all-time – Anders Svensson (148); current – Andreas Isaksson (127)

**Association formed:** 1904

**Nickname:** Blågult (Blue and yellows)

**Where they play:** Friends Arena, Solna

The only FIFA World Cup host nation to be defeated in the final, Sweden have never matched their run of 1958, but did make the last four in the only other tournament they have staged, EURO '92, the first time they had competed on that stage in the continental competition. They took bronze at the 1994 World Cup and although they have failed to qualify for the last two editions of the global finals, despite the elaborate gifts of star striker Zlatan Ibrahimović, they have reached the last five UEFA European Championships.

**EURO pedigree****Matches played**

**Overall:** P121 W59 D29 L32 F198 A126

**Final tournament:** P17 W5 D5 L7 F24 A21

**Qualifying:** P104 W54 D24 L26 F174 A105

Sweden reached the semi-finals on home turf in 1992, beating eventual champions Denmark and England after an opening-day draw with France. However, with Stefan Schwarz suspended and Jonas Thern playing through injury, they were overwhelmed by Germany even if a last-minute effort made it 3-2.

It was not until 2000 that they successfully negotiated qualifying to reach the final tournament, yet the Blågult have been ever-presents since. Sweden exited UEFA EURO 2004 unbeaten, losing 5-4 on penalties to the Netherlands in the quarter-finals after a goalless draw, while their last two campaigns ended at the first hurdle, a win and two defeats not enough each time. In 2012 they lost to Ukraine and England despite having led both matches in the second half, and were already out before their last game when Ibrahimović's brilliant acrobatic goal set up a 2-0 win against France.

**Memorable EURO matches****07/10/2006: Sweden 2-0 Spain, UEFA EURO 2008 qualifying**

Goals from Johan Elmander and Marcus Allbäck earned a win as important as it was impressive.

**18/06/2004: Sweden 1-1 Italy, UEFA EURO 2004 group stage**

Sweden were heading for defeat when Ibrahimović levelled with an audacious late back-heel.

**17/06/1992: Sweden 2-1 England, EURO '92 group stage**

Another fine goal, from Tomas Brodin, completed a comeback win that sent the hosts into the semis.

**Did you know?**

Sweden's October 2006 win against Spain was their opponents' last qualifying defeat until Slovakia beat them in October 2014.

\*Last updated on 18/11/15

## Sweden - Coach profile

### Erik Hamrén

**Date of birth:** 27 June 1957

**Nationality:** Swedish

**Playing career:** Ljusdals IF, Stockviks FF

**Coaching career:** Njurunda IK, IFK Sundsvall, Bro IK, Enköpings SK, Väsby IK, IF Brommapojkarna, Vasalunds IF, Degerfors IF, AIK Solna, Örgryte IS, Aalborg BK, Rosenborg BK, Sweden

- Played the game only until his late teens. Began coaching at junior level before taking on his first senior posts with Swedish second-tier sides Väsby, Brommapojkarna and Vasalund.
- Joined Allsvenskan outfit Degerfors in 1994 and moved on a year later to AIK. Guided the Stockholm club to three successive Swedish Cup finals, losing the first, in 1995, and winning the next two. Lifted the cup for a third time in 2000 with his next team Örgryte after two-legged final victory against AIK. Stayed for six seasons before going abroad in January 2004 to coach Danish side AaB.
- Led AaB to the 2007/08 Danish Super League title – just the third championship in their history – yet announced mid-season he would be leaving at the end of the campaign for Rosenborg.
- Masterminded runaway Tippeligaen title triumph for Rosenborg in his first full season. Replaced long-serving Sweden coach Lars Lagerbäck in November 2009, also remaining with Rosenborg until the onset of UEFA EURO 2012 qualification in September 2010.
- Proved an immediate success in his new role, guiding Sweden to the finals thanks to a defeat of the Netherlands on the last day of qualifying, though they fell in the group stage. Missed out on the 2014 FIFA World Cup in a play-off with Portugal but took his side to UEFA EURO 2016 having overcome Denmark at the same stage.

## Sweden - Team facts

### EURO record

	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
Overall	121	60	28	33	198	126
Final tournament	17	5	5	7	24	21
Qualifying	104	55	23	26	174	105

### UEFA European Championship records: Sweden

#### History

2012 – group stage  
 2008 – group stage  
 2004 – quarter-finals  
 2000 – group stage  
 1996 – did not qualify  
 1992 – semi-finals  
 1988 – did not qualify  
 1984 – did not qualify  
 1980 – did not qualify  
 1976 – did not qualify  
 1972 – did not qualify  
 1968 – did not qualify  
 1964 – quarter-finals  
 1960 – did not enter

#### Final tournament win

**5-0:** Sweden v Bulgaria, 14/06/04

#### Final tournament defeat

**2-0:** Russia v Sweden, 18/06/08

#### Qualifying win

**6-0:** Sweden v San Marino, 07/09/10

**0-6:** San Marino v Sweden, 07/06/03

#### Qualifying defeat

**1-4:** three times, most recently Sweden v Austria, 08/09/15

**0-3:** four times, most recently Spain v Sweden, 17/11/07

#### Final tournament appearances

**13:** Olof Mellberg

**10:** Henrik Larsson

**10:** Fredrik Ljungberg

**10:** Andreas Isaksson

**10:** Zlatan Ibrahimović

#### Final tournament goals

**6:** Zlatan Ibrahimović

**4:** Henrik Larsson

**3:** Tomas Brodin

#### Overall appearances

**45:** Kim Källström

**45:** Andreas Isaksson

**39:** Zlatan Ibrahimović

**36:** Olof Mellberg

**35:** Anders Svensson

**31:** Fredrik Ljungberg

#### Overall goals

**23:** Zlatan Ibrahimović

**12:** Marcus Allbäck

**7:** Henrik Larsson

**7:** Kim Källström



6: Johan Elmander

6: Johnny Ekström

## UEFA EURO and FIFA World Cup campaigns

Season	Competition	Result	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
2016	EURO qualifying	Play-off for Final Tournament	12	6	4	2	19	12
2014	World Cup qualifying	Play-off for Final Tournament	12	6	2	4	21	18
2012	EURO finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 4th in group	3	1	0	2	5	5
2012	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group (qualified)	10	8	0	2	31	11
2010	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	10	5	3	2	13	5
2008	EURO finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	3	1	0	2	3	4
2008	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group (qualified)	12	8	2	2	23	12
2006	World Cup finals	Round of 16	4	1	2	1	3	4
2006	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group (qualified)	10	8	0	2	30	4
2004	EURO finals	Quarter-finals	4	1	3	0	8	3
2004	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	8	5	2	1	19	3
2002	World Cup finals	Round of 16	4	1	2	1	5	5
2002	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	10	8	2	0	20	3
2000	EURO finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 4th in group	3	0	1	2	2	4
2000	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 1st in group (qualified)	8	7	1	0	10	1
1998	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	10	7	0	3	16	9
1996	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 3rd in group	8	2	3	3	9	10
1994	World Cup finals	3rd place	7	3	3	1	15	8
1994	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	10	6	3	1	19	8
1992	EURO finals	Semi-finals	4	2	1	1	6	5
1990	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 4th in group	3	0	0	3	3	6
1990	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	6	4	2	0	9	3
1988	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 2nd in group	8	4	2	2	12	5
1986	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	8	4	1	3	14	9
1984	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 2nd in group	8	5	1	2	14	5
1982	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	8	3	2	3	7	8
1980	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 3rd in group	6	1	2	3	9	13
1978	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 4th in group	3	0	1	2	1	3
1978	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	4	3	0	1	7	4
1976	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 3rd in group	6	3	0	3	8	9
1974	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	6	2	2	2	7	6
1974	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	7	4	2	1	17	9
1972	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 3rd in group	6	2	2	2	3	5
1970	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	3	1	1	1	2	2
1970	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	4	3	0	1	12	5
1968	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 3rd in group	6	2	1	3	9	12
1966	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	4	2	1	1	10	3
1964	EURO qualifying	Quarter-finals	6	2	3	1	8	7
1962	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	5	3	0	2	11	5
1958	World Cup finals	Final	6	4	1	1	12	7
1954	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	4	1	1	2	9	8
1950	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage	5	2	1	2	11	15

**UEFA EURO and FIFA World Cup campaigns**

1950	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	2	2	0	0	6	2
1938	World Cup finals	4th place	3	1	0	2	11	9
1938	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group (qualified)	3	2	0	1	11	7
1934	World Cup finals	Quarter-finals	2	1	0	1	4	4
1934	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	2	2	0	0	8	2

## Sweden - Head to head against teams in other pots

### Sweden v Albania

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
14/10/2009	FIFA World Cup	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Albania	4 - 1
06/09/2008	FIFA World Cup	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Sweden	0 - 0
08/10/1989	FIFA World Cup	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Albania	3 - 1
05/11/1988	FIFA World Cup	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Sweden	1 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	4	3	1	0	9	3
Friendlies	1	0	0	1	1	2

- The two nations have never met in the UEFA European Championship.
- Sweden are unbeaten in four FIFA World Cup qualifiers against Albania, winning three of them. Albania were victorious in the only friendly played between the two countries – prevailing 2-1 in Tirana in February 2004.
- Sweden did the double over Albania in qualifying for Italia '90 and took four points off them in the 2010 World Cup qualifiers, drawing 0-0 in Tirana and winning 4-1 in Solna but that was not enough to book a place in South Africa.

### Sweden v Austria

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
08/09/2015	UEFA EURO	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Austria	1 - 4
08/09/2014	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Sweden	1 - 1
11/10/2013	FIFA World Cup	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Austria	2 - 1
07/06/2013	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Sweden	2 - 1
06/09/1997	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Sweden	1 - 0
09/10/1996	FIFA World Cup	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Austria	0 - 1
10/11/1993	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Sweden	1 - 1
19/05/1993	FIFA World Cup	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Austria	1 - 0
07/06/1978	FIFA World Cup	Buenos Aires (ARG)	Austria - Sweden	1 - 0
27/11/1973	FIFA World Cup	Gelsenkirchen (GER)	Sweden - Austria	2 - 1
23/05/1973	FIFA World Cup	Gothenburg (SWE)	Sweden - Austria	3 - 2
10/06/1972	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Sweden	2 - 0
04/09/1971	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Sweden	1 - 0
26/05/1971	UEFA EURO	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Austria	1 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	1	1	2	3	6
World Cup	10	4	1	5	10	12
Friendlies	21	7	4	10	39	36

- Austria overpowered Sweden 4-1 in Solna with goals from David Alaba (penalty), Martin Harnik (two) and Marc Janko to clinch their place at UEFA EURO 2016 as Group G winners. They drew the opening qualifier 1-1 in Vienna, Alaba again on target from the spot. The teams also met in the 2014 FIFA World Cup qualifiers, each winning their home game 2-1.
- The teams were paired in successive World Cup qualifying campaigns in the 1990s. The Swedes reached the 1994 finals in the United States, where they finished third, but Austria wreaked revenge to reach the 1998

tournament, Andreas Herzog scoring the winning goal in each of their two 1-0 victories

- Austria prevailed in the nations' only major tournament encounter to date, winning 1-0 thanks to a Hans Krankl goal in the opening round of the 1978 World Cup.

## Sweden v Belgium

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
10/06/2000	UEFA EURO	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Sweden	2 - 1
04/10/1961	FIFA World Cup	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Sweden	0 - 2
19/10/1960	FIFA World Cup	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Belgium	2 - 0
08/10/1953	FIFA World Cup	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Sweden	2 - 0
28/05/1953	FIFA World Cup	Stockholm (SWE)	Sweden - Belgium	2 - 3

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	1	0	0	1	1	2
World Cup	4	2	0	2	6	5
Friendlies	10	3	2	5	23	20

- Co-hosts Belgium, coached by Robert Waseige, defeated Sweden 2-1 in the opening match of UEFA EURO 2000 thanks to goals from Bart Goor and Émile Mpenza. However, neither team reached the quarter-finals.
- At the Friends Arena in June 2014, the countries met for the first time since that Brussels encounter. Visitors Belgium won 2-0 thanks to goals from Romelu Lukaku and Eden Hazard.
- Belgium defeated Sweden home and away in qualifying for the 1954 FIFA World Cup, with Sweden turning the tables for the 1962 tournament – although they did not qualify for the finals in Chile.

## Sweden v Croatia

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
08/10/2005	FIFA World Cup	Zagreb (CRO)	Croatia - Sweden	1 - 0
08/09/2004	FIFA World Cup	Gothenburg (SWE)	Sweden - Croatia	0 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	2	0	0	2	0	2
Friendlies	2	1	0	1	4	3

- Croatia and Sweden qualified together for the 2006 FIFA World Cup, Croatia topping the group and Sweden progressing as the best runners-up. The teams finished level on points but Croatia had the superior head-to-head record after doing the double over the Swedes with a pair of 1-0 wins, Darijo Srna scoring in both games.
- The sides' two friendly encounters have both been won by the visitors. Sweden's Zlatan Ibrahimović scored in both the 2-1 defeat in Solna in April 2003 and the 3-1 win in Zagreb in February 2012, when Sebastian Larsson also registered twice.
- Sweden forward Marcus Berg and Croatia's Danijel Pranjić are team-mates at Panathinaikos.

## Sweden v England

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
15/06/2012	UEFA EURO	Kyiv (UKR)	Sweden - England	2 - 3
20/06/2006	FIFA World Cup	Cologne (GER)	Sweden - England	2 - 2
02/06/2002	FIFA World Cup	Saitama (JPN)	England - Sweden	1 - 1
05/06/1999	UEFA EURO	London (ENG)	England - Sweden	0 - 0
05/09/1998	UEFA EURO	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - England	2 - 1
17/06/1992	UEFA EURO	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - England	2 - 1
06/09/1989	FIFA World Cup	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - England	0 - 0
19/10/1988	FIFA World Cup	London (ENG)	England - Sweden	0 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	2	1	1	6	5
World Cup	4	0	4	0	3	3
Friendlies	15	5	4	6	22	27

- England came from behind to beat Sweden 3-2 in Kyiv at UEFA EURO 2012 en route to reaching the quarter-finals. Danny Welbeck scored the winner with a deft close-range flick to give England their first competitive victory against the Swedes in eight attempts.
- Five months later England were invited by Sweden to take part in the inaugural fixture at the new Friends Arena in Solna. Welbeck scored again but the show was stolen by Zlatan Ibrahimović, who scored all four goals – including an outrageous long-range lob – as Sweden triumphed 4-2.
- The teams drew their group stage encounters at the 2002 and 2006 FIFA World Cups; on both occasions each team progressed and England were led by Swedish coach Sven Göran Eriksson.
- Tomas Brodin scored a spectacular late winner to enable Sweden to come from behind and defeat England 2-1 in their final group game at EURO '92, the victory sending the host nation through to the semi-finals and eliminating Graham Taylor's side.
- Swedish internationals Martin Olsson, Sebastian Larsson and Ola Toivonen play their club football in England.

## Sweden v France

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
19/06/2012	UEFA EURO	Kyiv (UKR)	Sweden - France	2 - 0
22/08/1993	FIFA World Cup	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - France	1 - 1
28/04/1993	FIFA World Cup	Paris (FRA)	France - Sweden	2 - 1
10/06/1992	UEFA EURO	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - France	1 - 1
05/09/1979	UEFA EURO	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - France	1 - 3
01/09/1978	UEFA EURO	Paris (FRA)	France - Sweden	2 - 2
01/11/1969	FIFA World Cup	Paris (FRA)	France - Sweden	3 - 0
15/10/1969	FIFA World Cup	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - France	2 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	1	2	1	6	6
World Cup	4	1	1	2	4	6
Friendlies	11	3	2	6	8	14

- Sweden ended France's 23-match unbeaten run by defeating them 2-0 in their last group game of UEFA EURO 2012, but it was a hollow victory as Erik Hamrén's side had already been eliminated.
- Prior to that fixture France had been unbeaten in the countries' previous 11 encounters stretching back to 1969,

when the teams met competitively for the first time. Les Bleus returned to winning ways when the sides last faced off, in November 2014, defender Raphaël Varane scoring the only goal for Didier Deschamps' men in a Marseille friendly.

- The teams' only other head-to-head at a final tournament came at EURO '92 when hosts Sweden were held 1-1 in Solna in the opening match by France. Jean-Pierre Papin equalised for Les Bleus after Jan Eriksson had made the breakthrough.
- Sweden captain Zlatan Ibrahimović, who netted a spectacular goal against Les Bleus in the UEFA EURO 2012 win, plays for French champions Paris Saint-Germain.
- The two nations will come face to face again in the 2018 FIFA World Cup qualifiers.

## Sweden v Germany

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
15/10/2013	FIFA World Cup	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Germany	3 - 5
16/10/2012	FIFA World Cup	Berlin (GER)	Germany - Sweden	4 - 4
24/06/2006	FIFA World Cup	Munich (GER)	Germany - Sweden	2 - 0
21/06/1992	UEFA EURO	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Germany	2 - 3
25/09/1985	FIFA World Cup	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Germany	2 - 2
17/10/1984	FIFA World Cup	Cologne (GER)	Germany - Sweden	2 - 0
30/06/1974	FIFA World Cup	Dusseldorf (GER)	Germany - Sweden	4 - 2
26/09/1965	FIFA World Cup	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Germany	1 - 2
04/11/1964	FIFA World Cup	Berlin (GER)	Germany - Sweden	1 - 1
24/06/1958	FIFA World Cup	Gothenburg (SWE)	Sweden - Germany	3 - 1
21/11/1937	FIFA World Cup	Hamburg (GER)	Germany - Sweden	5 - 0
31/05/1934	FIFA World Cup	Milan (ITA)	Germany - Sweden	2 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	1	0	0	1	2	3
World Cup	11	1	3	7	17	30
Friendlies	25	11	6	8	40	40

- Germany and Sweden shared 16 goals in two remarkable qualifiers for the 2014 FIFA World Cup. The first match, in Berlin, ended 4-4 after Sweden came back from four goals down after an hour's play, Rasmus Elm scoring the equaliser in added time. The return fixture in Solna finished 5-3 to Germany, André Schürrle contributing a hat-trick.
- Germany eliminated Sweden from the 2006 World Cup, winning their round of 16 encounter 2-0 with two goals from Lukas Podolski. Less than two months later they met again in a Gelsenkirchen friendly, Germany triumphing 3-0.
- Their only EURO meeting came at the 1992 tournament. Then world champions Germany defeated their Swedish hosts 3-2 in the semi-finals, Karl-Heinz Riedle twice finding the net.

**Sweden v Iceland****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
06/06/2007	UEFA EURO	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Iceland	5 - 0
11/10/2006	UEFA EURO	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Sweden	1 - 2
12/10/2005	FIFA World Cup	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Iceland	3 - 1
13/10/2004	FIFA World Cup	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Sweden	1 - 4
01/06/1995	UEFA EURO	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Iceland	1 - 1
07/09/1994	UEFA EURO	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Sweden	0 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	3	1	0	9	2
World Cup	2	2	0	0	7	2
Friendlies	9	6	1	2	19	11

- Sweden have won their last six matches against Iceland and are also unbeaten in the six qualifiers between the sides.
- Iceland's only positive competitive result against the Swedes came in a EURO '96 qualifier in June 1995, when they earned a 1-1 draw in Solna. Sweden did the double over Iceland in qualifying for UEFA EURO 2008, winning 2-1 in Reykjavik and 5-0 in Solna – their biggest victory against their Nordic rivals.
- Iceland defenders Birkir Sævarsson and Kári Árnason play their domestic football in Sweden with Hammarby and Malmö respectively.
- Iceland's joint head coach Lars Lagerbäck led the Swedish national team from 2000 to 2009.

**Sweden v Italy****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
18/06/2004	UEFA EURO	Porto (POR)	Italy - Sweden	1 - 1
19/06/2000	UEFA EURO	Eindhoven (NED)	Italy - Sweden	2 - 1
14/11/1987	UEFA EURO	Naples (ITA)	Italy - Sweden	2 - 1
03/06/1987	UEFA EURO	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Italy	1 - 0
15/10/1983	UEFA EURO	Naples (ITA)	Italy - Sweden	0 - 3
29/05/1983	UEFA EURO	Gothenburg (SWE)	Sweden - Italy	2 - 0
09/10/1971	UEFA EURO	Milan (ITA)	Italy - Sweden	3 - 0
09/06/1971	UEFA EURO	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Italy	0 - 0
03/06/1970	FIFA World Cup	Toluca (MEX)	Italy - Sweden	1 - 0
25/06/1950	FIFA World Cup	Sao Paulo (BRA)	Sweden - Italy	3 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	8	3	2	3	9	8
World Cup	2	1	0	1	3	3
Friendlies	12	2	4	6	12	16

- Erik Hamrén's first match as Sweden coach came against Italy in Cesena in November 2009, when defender Giorgio Chiellini scored the only goal in a friendly victory for the Azzurri. That was the teams' last meeting.
- Italy ended Sweden's UEFA EURO 2000 ambitions with a 2-1 group stage win but the Blågult gained a measure of revenge four years later in Portugal when a 1-1 draw, courtesy of Zlatan Ibrahimović's impudent equaliser, helped to eliminate the Azzurri.
- Sweden's 3-2 triumph in the 1950 FIFA World Cup group stage sent them through at Italy's expense. Twenty years later the roles were reversed as Italy won 1-0 in Toluca, Mexico – the last time the nations met in a World

Cup fixture.

## Sweden v Northern Ireland

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
17/10/2007	UEFA EURO	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Northern Ireland	1 - 1
28/03/2007	UEFA EURO	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Sweden	2 - 1
03/06/1981	FIFA World Cup	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Northern Ireland	1 - 0
15/10/1980	FIFA World Cup	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Sweden	3 - 0
03/09/1975	UEFA EURO	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Sweden	1 - 2
30/10/1974	UEFA EURO	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Northern Ireland	0 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	1	1	2	4	6
World Cup	2	1	0	1	1	3
Friendlies	1	1	0	0	2	1

- Historically the nations are evenly matched, with three victories apiece in seven encounters.
- Northern Ireland got the better of their Scandinavian opponents in the qualifying competition for UEFA EURO 2008. They came from behind to win 2-1 at Windsor Park with two David Healy goals and drew 1-1 in Solna thanks to a Kyle Lafferty equaliser.
- Lafferty is a club colleague of Sweden defender Martin Olsson at Norwich City.

## Sweden v Portugal

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
19/11/2013	FIFA World Cup	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Portugal	2 - 3 (agg: 2-4)
15/11/2013	FIFA World Cup	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Sweden	1 - 0
28/03/2009	FIFA World Cup	Porto (POR)	Portugal - Sweden	0 - 0
11/10/2008	FIFA World Cup	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Portugal	0 - 0
23/09/1987	UEFA EURO	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Portugal	0 - 1
12/10/1986	UEFA EURO	Oeiras (POR)	Portugal - Sweden	1 - 1
14/11/1984	FIFA World Cup	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Sweden	1 - 3
12/09/1984	FIFA World Cup	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Portugal	0 - 1
14/10/1981	FIFA World Cup	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Sweden	1 - 2
24/06/1981	FIFA World Cup	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Portugal	3 - 0
01/06/1967	UEFA EURO	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Portugal	1 - 1
13/11/1966	UEFA EURO	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Sweden	1 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	1	2	1	4	4
World Cup	8	3	2	3	10	7
Friendlies	5	2	2	1	12	7

- Portugal qualified at Sweden's expense for the 2014 FIFA World Cup, Cristiano Ronaldo scoring all four goals – including a second-leg hat-trick in Solna – in his country's 4-2 aggregate play-off triumph. Zlatan Ibrahimović's two goals for Sweden proved in vain.
- The two group encounters between the nations in 2010 World Cup qualifying both ended goalless.
- The nations have met 17 times in all, with Portugal winning five, Sweden six and six draws.



**Sweden v Republic of Ireland****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
06/09/2013	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Sweden	1 - 2
22/03/2013	FIFA World Cup	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Republic of Ireland	0 - 0
28/10/1970	UEFA EURO	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Republic of Ireland	1 - 0
14/10/1970	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Sweden	1 - 1
13/11/1949	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Sweden	1 - 3
02/06/1949	FIFA World Cup	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Republic of Ireland	3 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	1	1	0	2	1
World Cup	4	3	1	0	8	3
Friendlies	4	1	0	3	6	9

- The teams were drawn together in the same qualifying group for the 2014 FIFA World Cup. Sweden came from behind to win 2-1 in Dublin, with goals from Johan Elmander and Anders Svensson, after drawing 0-0 in Solna, yet neither country made it to Brazil.
- Those were their first competitive meetings for 43 years. Sweden also had the better of their EURO '72 qualifiers, drawing 1-1 away and winning 1-0 in Solna thanks to a goal from Tom Turesson.
- Team-mates in the English Premier League include Martin Olsson and Wes Hoolahan at Norwich City, with Sebastian Larsson and Ola Toivonen playing alongside Ireland captain John O'Shea at Sunderland.

**Sweden v Russia****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
05/09/2015	UEFA EURO	Moscow (RUS)	Russia - Sweden	1 - 0
09/10/2014	UEFA EURO	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Russia	1 - 1
18/06/2008	UEFA EURO	Innsbruck (AUT)	Russia - Sweden	2 - 0
24/06/1994	FIFA World Cup	Detroit (USA)	Sweden - Russia	3 - 1
27/05/1964	UEFA EURO	Moscow (RUS)	USSR - Sweden	3 - 1 (agg: 4-2)
13/05/1964	UEFA EURO	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - USSR	1 - 1
19/06/1958	FIFA World Cup	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - USSR	2 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	5	0	2	3	3	8
World Cup	2	2	0	0	5	1
Friendlies	18	6	6	6	25	37

- Russia had the edge over Sweden in the UEFA EURO 2016 qualifiers, drawing 1-1 in Solna and winning the return fixture in Moscow with a single goal from their top scorer, Artem Dzyuba. Russia finished second in the group behind Austria while third-placed Sweden qualified via the play-offs.
- The nations also met in the final group game at UEFA EURO 2008, Russia winning 2-0 in Innsbruck thanks to goals from Roman Pavlyuchenko and Andrey Arshavin. That took them into the quarter-finals at the expense of a Sweden side that had needed just a draw to progress.
- Sweden had beaten Russia 3-1 in Detroit at the 1994 FIFA World Cup.
- Sweden's Pontus Wernbloom (CSKA Moskva) and Andreas Granqvist (Krasnodar) play their club football in Russia.

**Sweden v Spain****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
14/06/2008	UEFA EURO	Innsbruck (AUT)	Sweden - Spain	1 - 2
17/11/2007	UEFA EURO	Madrid (ESP)	Spain - Sweden	3 - 0
07/10/2006	UEFA EURO	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Spain	2 - 0
11/06/1978	FIFA World Cup	Buenos Aires (ARG)	Spain - Sweden	1 - 0
16/07/1950	FIFA World Cup	Sao Paulo (BRA)	Sweden - Spain	3 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	3	1	0	2	3	5
World Cup	2	1	0	1	3	2
Friendlies	8	1	4	3	9	14

- David Villa's added-time goal in Innsbruck gave Spain a 2-1 group stage win against Sweden at UEFA EURO 2008, sealing a quarter-final place with a game to spare.
- Spain had booked their 2008 finals berth with a 3-0 home win against Sweden – Joan Capdevila, Andrés Iniesta and Sergio Ramos scoring – although Sweden qualified as group runners-up, having earlier defeated Spain 2-0 in Solna.
- Spain's record cap holder Iker Casillas made his international debut against Sweden in June 2000, 14 days after his 19th birthday, as a substitute in a 1-1 friendly draw in Gothenburg.

**Sweden v Switzerland****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
06/09/1995	UEFA EURO	Gothenburg (SWE)	Sweden - Switzerland	0 - 0
12/10/1994	UEFA EURO	Berne (SUI)	Switzerland - Sweden	4 - 2
17/06/1987	UEFA EURO	Lausanne (SUI)	Switzerland - Sweden	1 - 1
24/09/1986	UEFA EURO	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Switzerland	2 - 0
08/06/1977	FIFA World Cup	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Switzerland	2 - 1
09/10/1976	FIFA World Cup	Basel (SUI)	Switzerland - Sweden	1 - 2
12/11/1961	FIFA World Cup	Berlin (GER)	Switzerland - Sweden	2 - 1
29/10/1961	FIFA World Cup	Berne (SUI)	Switzerland - Sweden	3 - 2
28/05/1961	FIFA World Cup	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Switzerland	4 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	1	2	1	5	5
World Cup	5	3	0	2	11	7
Friendlies	19	6	5	8	30	30

- There have been no matches between the countries at a major tournament, although they have faced each other nine times in qualifiers. That includes a play-off for the 1962 FIFA World Cup, Switzerland winning 2-1 in neutral Berlin.
- In their most recent competitive fixtures, Switzerland reached EURO '96 after taking four points off Sweden. The Swedes missed out then but have qualified for every UEFA European Championship since.
- The teams' most recent encounter was a 1-1 draw in Malmo in March 2002. Current assistant coach Marcus Allbäck scored for Sweden, Ricardo Cabanas equalising for the visitors with his first international goal on his first start for his country.

**Sweden v Turkey****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
05/09/2001	FIFA World Cup	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Sweden	1 - 2
07/10/2000	FIFA World Cup	Gothenburg (SWE)	Sweden - Turkey	1 - 1
15/06/2000	UEFA EURO	Eindhoven (NED)	Sweden - Turkey	0 - 0
15/11/1995	UEFA EURO	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Turkey	2 - 2
29/03/1995	UEFA EURO	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Sweden	2 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	3	0	2	1	3	4
World Cup	2	1	1	0	3	2
Friendlies	4	1	1	2	4	4

- Sweden and Turkey drew 0-0 in the group stage of UEFA EURO 2000 in Eindhoven.
- The teams were also paired in 2002 FIFA World Cup qualifying. Sweden took four points from the two matches, Henrik Larsson scoring in both, and won the group. Turkey joined them in Japan/South Korea via a play-off success over Austria and went on to finish third at the finals.
- The teams last met in a March 2014 friendly, Turkey winning 2-1 in Ankara with goals from Mevlüt Erdinç and Olcan Adın. Ola Toivonen replied for the visitors.

**Sweden v Ukraine****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
11/06/2012	UEFA EURO	Kyiv (UKR)	Ukraine - Sweden	2 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	1	0	0	1	1	2
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	3	1	1	1	2	2

- Co-hosts Ukraine got off to a winning start at UEFA EURO 2012 as two Andriy Shevchenko headers gave them a 2-1 victory against Sweden in Kyiv after Zlatan Ibrahimović had opened the scoring. Neither team reached the knockout phase.
- Those were Shevchenko's last two goals for his country, leaving Ukraine's record scorer with a final total of 48 in 111 appearances.
- The teams had met twice the previous year, a 1-1 draw in neutral Nicosia (which Ukraine won 5-4 on penalties) being followed by a 1-0 win for Sweden in Kharkiv, where Tobias Hysén scored the winner in added time.

**Sweden v Wales****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
15/06/1958	FIFA World Cup	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Wales	0 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	1	0	1	0	0	0
Friendlies	5	5	0	0	13	3

- Sweden and Wales have met only once in a competitive fixture – at the 1958 FIFA World Cup.
- The nations drew 0-0 in Solna, a result that enabled the hosts to progress to the quarter-finals, where Wales

joined them after a play-off win against Hungary.

- Sweden have won all five friendlies staged since then, scoring 13 goals to Wales' three. The most recent, in March 2010, was Erik Hamrén's fourth match in charge of Sweden and was decided by a lone strike from Johan Elmander in Swansea.

 **Poland****Poland - Team profile**

**Best result:** group stage 2008, 2012

**Coach:** Adam Nawałka

**Leading scorers:** all-time – Włodzimierz Lubański (48); current – Robert Lewandowski (34)

**Most appearances:** all-time – Michał Żewłakow (102); current – Jakub Błaszczykowski (75)

**Association formed:** 1919

**Nickname:** Biało-czerwoni (White and reds)

**Where they play:** National Stadium, Warsaw

There had been a Polish presence at seven FIFA World Cups before the country finally qualified for a first UEFA European Championship final tournament, in 2008. As co-hosts for the 2012 event a second appearance quickly followed but, as on their debut in Austria, they failed to win a game and did not progress beyond the group stage. It was a different story in the 1970s and 1980s when, with world-class forwards Grzegorz Lato and Zbigniew Boniek to the fore, Poland reached four successive World Cups, collecting the bronze medals in West Germany in 1974 and again in Spain eight years later. Now the team possess another top-grade striker in Robert Lewandowski, who powered Poland to UEFA EURO 2016 with a record-equalling qualifying competition tally of 13 goals.

**EURO pedigree**

**Overall:** P106 W44 D30 L32 F167 A117

**Final tournament:** P6 W0 D3 L3 F3 A7

**Qualifying:** P100 W44 D27 L29 F164 A110

Poland qualified for a UEFA European Championship at the 13th time of asking after topping their 2008 qualifying group featuring Portugal, Serbia and Belgium. Leo Beenhakker's side made a limited impression in Austria and Switzerland, managing a goal – from Roger Guerreiro – and a point as they finished bottom of their section.

Poland doubled both tallies as co-hosts at UEFA EURO 2012 but, once again, ended propping up the group, and having claimed second place in their UEFA EURO 2016 qualifying section behind Germany, they will hope for better in France. Before 2008 the closest the Biało-czerwoni had come to qualifying was in 1976 and 1980. In 1976 they missed out on goal difference to a Netherlands side that barred their path again four years later when they recovered from 2-0 down to beat East Germany and pip Poland by a point.

**Memorable EURO matches****11/10/2014: Poland 2-0 Germany**

Second-half goals from Arkadiusz Milik and Sebastian Mila gave Poland a first win against their neighbours in 19 matches.

**08/06/2012: Poland 1-1 Greece, UEFA EURO 2012, group stage**

Robert Lewandowski gave the co-hosts a dream start in Warsaw – it was as good as it got.

**12/06/2008: Austria 1-1 Poland, UEFA EURO 2008 group stage**

Brazilian-born Roger Guerreiro scored Poland's first EURO finals goal to earn their first point.

**Did you know?**

Poland have drawn England in seven of their last 14 qualifying groups and have failed to win any of those 14 fixtures, losing all the away trips.

\*Last updated on 18/11/15

## Poland - Coach profile

### Adam Nawalka

**Date of birth:** 23 October 1957

**Nationality:** Polish

**Playing career:** Wisła Kraków, PAAC Eagles

**Coaching career:** GKS Świt Krzeszowice, Wisła Kraków (three times), Zagłębie Lubin, MKS Sandecja Nowy Sącz, Jagiellonia Białystok, GKS Katowice, Górnik Zabrze, Poland

- Nawalka, part of Poland's squad at the 1978 FIFA World Cup, spent most of his playing days in the Wisła midfield before ending his career in the late 1980s in Chicago.
- Having qualified as a coach, he took charge of Krzeszowice in 1996 before returning to Wisła two years later to head their youth set-up. He twice had spells at the senior helm, winning the 2001 Polish League Cup.
- After several adventures in the dugouts of clubs in Poland's top two divisions, culminating in a 2006–07 return to Wisła, Nawalka had a short stint as assistant to national coach Leo Beenhakker, aiding their UEFA EURO 2008 qualification.
- Soon back in club coaching with Katowice, at the start of 2010 Nawalka switched to Górnik and within six months had guided them to promotion.
- With Górnik top of the Polish First Division in October 2013, Nawalka agreed to take the Poland job, beginning the following month. Qualifying for UEFA EURO 2016 started in style with a first win against Germany in 19 meetings and, though Poland finished second behind their opponents, it was still enough for a finals place.

## Poland - Team facts

### EURO record

	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
Overall	106	44	30	32	167	117
Final tournament	6	0	3	3	3	7
Qualifying	100	44	27	29	164	110

### UEFA European Championship records: Poland

#### History

2012 – group stage  
 2008 – group stage  
 2004 – did not qualify  
 2000 – did not qualify  
 1996 – did not qualify  
 1992 – did not qualify  
 1988 – did not qualify  
 1984 – did not qualify  
 1980 – did not qualify  
 1976 – did not qualify  
 1972 – did not qualify  
 1968 – did not qualify  
 1964 – did not qualify  
 1960 – last 16

#### Final tournament win

N/A

#### Final tournament defeat

**2-0:** Germany v Poland, 08/06/08

#### Qualifying win

**8-1:** Poland v Gibraltar, 07/09/15

**7-0:** Gibraltar v Poland, 07/09/14

#### Qualifying defeat

**1-4:** twice, most recently Slovakia v Poland, 11/10/95

**0-3:** three times, most recently Sweden v Poland, 11/06/03

#### Final tournament appearances

**6:** Marcin Wasilewski

**5:** Dariusz Dudka

**5:** Rafał Murawski

**4:** Łukasz Piszczek

**3:** 15 players

#### Final tournament goals

**1:** Jakub Błaszczykowski

**1:** Roger Guerreiro

**1:** Robert Lewandowski

#### Overall appearances

**28:** Jacek Bąk

**20:** Mariusz Lewandowski

**19:** Maciej Żurawski

**19:** Jacek Krzynówek

**19:** Jakub Błaszczykowski

**18:** Michał Żewłakow

**18:** Marcin Wasilewski

#### Overall goals

**14:** Robert Lewandowski

**9:** Euzebiusz Smolarek

**8:** Andrzej Juskowiak

6: Włodzimierz Lubański

6: Arkadiusz Milik

**UEFA EURO and FIFA World Cup campaigns**

Season	Competition	Result	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
2016	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	10	6	3	1	33	10
2014	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 4th in group	10	3	4	3	18	12
2012	EURO finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 4th in group	3	0	2	1	2	3
2010	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 5th in group	10	3	2	5	19	14
2008	EURO finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 4th in group	3	0	1	2	1	4
2008	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	14	8	4	2	24	12
2006	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	3	1	0	2	2	4
2006	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group (qualified)	10	8	0	2	27	9
2004	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	8	4	1	3	11	7
2002	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 4th in group	3	1	0	2	3	7
2002	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	10	6	3	1	21	11
2000	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 3rd in group	8	4	1	3	12	8
1998	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 4th in group	8	3	1	4	10	12
1996	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 4th in group	10	3	4	3	14	12
1994	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 4th in group	10	3	2	5	10	15
1992	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 3rd in group	6	2	3	1	8	6
1990	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	6	2	1	3	4	8
1988	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 4th in group	8	3	2	3	9	11
1986	World Cup finals	Round of 16	4	1	1	2	1	7
1986	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	6	3	2	1	10	6
1984	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 3rd in group	6	1	2	3	6	9
1982	World Cup finals	3rd place	7	3	3	1	11	5
1982	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	4	4	0	0	12	2
1980	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 2nd in group	8	5	2	1	13	4
1978	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	6	3	1	2	6	6
1978	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	6	5	1	0	17	4
1976	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 2nd in group	6	3	2	1	9	5
1974	World Cup finals	3rd place	7	6	0	1	16	5
1974	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	4	2	1	1	6	3
1972	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 2nd in group	6	2	2	2	10	6
1970	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	6	4	0	2	19	8
1968	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 3rd in group	6	3	1	2	13	9
1966	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	6	2	2	2	11	10
1964	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round	2	0	0	2	0	4
1962	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	2	0	1	1	2	3
1960	EURO qualifying	Round of 16	2	0	0	2	2	7
1958	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	5	3	0	2	9	7
1938	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage	1	0	0	1	5	6
1938	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	2	1	0	1	4	1
1934	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	1	0	0	1	1	2



## Poland - Head to head against teams in other pots

### Poland v Albania

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
15/11/1989	FIFA World Cup	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Poland	1 - 2
19/10/1988	FIFA World Cup	Katowice (POL)	Poland - Albania	1 - 0
30/05/1985	FIFA World Cup	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Poland	0 - 1
31/10/1984	FIFA World Cup	Mielec (POL)	Poland - Albania	2 - 2
12/05/1971	UEFA EURO	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Poland	1 - 1
14/10/1970	UEFA EURO	Chorzow (POL)	Poland - Albania	3 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	1	1	0	4	1
World Cup	4	3	1	0	6	3
Friendlies	5	3	1	1	4	3

- Albania and Poland have met 11 times but have not faced each other in a competitive international for 26 years.
- The only two matches since then, friendlies in May 2005 and May 2008, were both won 1-0 by Poland. Maciej Żurawski scored the early winning goal on each occasion.
- Poland are unbeaten in the six competitive meetings, winning four of them, the last three all by a one-goal margin.

### Poland v Austria

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
12/06/2008	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Poland	1 - 1
03/09/2005	FIFA World Cup	Chorzow (POL)	Poland - Austria	3 - 2
09/10/2004	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Poland	1 - 3

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	1	0	1	0	1	1
World Cup	2	2	0	0	6	3
Friendlies	6	2	0	4	12	16

- Austria and Poland came face to face at a major tournament for the first time at UEFA EURO 2008, the co-hosts earning a 1-1 draw thanks to an added-time penalty from Ivica Vastic. He thus became the oldest goalscorer in a UEFA European Championship final tournament.
- Poland did the double over Austria in 2006 FIFA World Cup qualifying, scoring three goals in each match with six different scorers.
- Poland also scored three times when the teams last met in a friendly, in May 1994 in Katowice – but Austria scored four, midfielder Peter Stöger claiming a hat-trick.

**Poland v Belgium****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
17/11/2007	UEFA EURO	Chorzow (POL)	Poland - Belgium	2 - 0
15/11/2006	UEFA EURO	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Poland	0 - 1
11/09/1985	FIFA World Cup	Chorzow (POL)	Poland - Belgium	0 - 0
01/05/1985	FIFA World Cup	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Poland	2 - 0
28/06/1982	FIFA World Cup	Barcelona (ESP)	Poland - Belgium	3 - 0
08/10/1967	UEFA EURO	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Poland	2 - 4
21/05/1967	UEFA EURO	Chorzow (POL)	Poland - Belgium	3 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	4	0	0	10	3
World Cup	3	1	1	1	3	2
Friendlies	12	2	5	5	13	15

- There is little to choose between these nations in historical terms, with Poland recording seven victories to Belgium's six in 19 meetings.
- Poland, however, have won all four matches in the UEFA European Championship, securing their first final tournament qualification in November 2007 with a 2-0 win over Belgium in Chorzow. Eusebiusz Smolarek scored both goals.
- The only previous encounter at a final tournament came at the 1982 FIFA World Cup. A Zbigniew Boniek hat-trick at the Camp Nou in Barcelona gave Poland a 3-0 triumph that paved their way to the semi-finals.

**Poland v Croatia****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
16/06/2008	UEFA EURO	Klagenfurt (AUT)	Poland - Croatia	0 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	1	0	0	1	0	1
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	4	1	1	2	3	6

- Croatia won when these sides met in Klagenfurt in the final round of group matches at UEFA EURO 2008. Ivan Klasnić scored the only goal, 15 months after undergoing the second of two kidney transplants.
- Croatia also had the upper hand in the four friendlies played prior to that first competitive encounter, although Poland won the last of them. That was a 2006 FIFA World Cup warm-up game in which Eusebiusz Smolarek secured a 1-0 success.
- Poland's Jakub Błaszczykowski plays alongside Croatian internationals Milan Badelj and Nikola Kalinić at Italian club Fiorentina.

**Poland v England****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
15/10/2013	FIFA World Cup	London (ENG)	England - Poland	2 - 0
17/10/2012	FIFA World Cup	Warsaw (POL)	Poland - England	1 - 1
12/10/2005	FIFA World Cup	Manchester (ENG)	England - Poland	2 - 1
08/09/2004	FIFA World Cup	Chorzow (POL)	Poland - England	1 - 2
08/09/1999	UEFA EURO	Warsaw (POL)	Poland - England	0 - 0
27/03/1999	UEFA EURO	London (ENG)	England - Poland	3 - 1
31/05/1997	FIFA World Cup	Chorzow (POL)	Poland - England	0 - 2
09/10/1996	FIFA World Cup	London (ENG)	England - Poland	2 - 1
08/09/1993	FIFA World Cup	London (ENG)	England - Poland	3 - 0
29/05/1993	FIFA World Cup	Chorzow (POL)	Poland - England	1 - 1
13/11/1991	UEFA EURO	Poznan (POL)	Poland - England	1 - 1
17/10/1990	UEFA EURO	London (ENG)	England - Poland	2 - 0
11/10/1989	FIFA World Cup	Chorzow (POL)	Poland - England	0 - 0
03/06/1989	FIFA World Cup	London (ENG)	England - Poland	3 - 0
11/06/1986	FIFA World Cup	Monterrey (MEX)	England - Poland	3 - 0
17/10/1973	FIFA World Cup	London (ENG)	England - Poland	1 - 1
06/06/1973	FIFA World Cup	Chorzow (POL)	Poland - England	2 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	0	2	2	2	6
World Cup	13	1	4	8	8	22
Friendlies	2	0	1	1	1	2

- Regular adversaries in qualifying tournaments, England and Poland have only come face to face once previously at a final tournament – at the 1986 FIFA World Cup in Mexico, where a first-half Gary Lineker hat-trick took England into the last 16 with a 3-0 win.

- The first of eight pairings in qualifying competitions came in the 1974 World Cup, Poland reaching the finals at England's expense as Sir Alf Ramsey's side were held 1-1 at home in the final qualifier by a series of spectacular saves from Jan Tomaszewski. The earlier meeting in Chorzow had been won 2-0 by Poland.

- In the 14 matches over seven qualifying campaigns since then, England have won nine and Poland none. The most recent was a 2-0 home success at Wembley, with goals from Wayne Rooney and Steven Gerrard, that secured the Three Lions' qualification for the 2014 World Cup.

**Poland v France****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
16/08/1995	UEFA EURO	Paris (FRA)	France - Poland	1 - 1
16/11/1994	UEFA EURO	Zabrze (POL)	Poland - France	0 - 0
10/07/1982	FIFA World Cup	Alicante (ESP)	Poland - France	3 - 2
17/09/1967	UEFA EURO	Warsaw (POL)	Poland - France	1 - 4
22/10/1966	UEFA EURO	Paris (FRA)	France - Poland	2 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	0	2	2	3	7
World Cup	1	1	0	0	3	2
Friendlies	11	2	3	6	10	18

- Poland beat France 3-2 in the 1982 FIFA World Cup third-place play-off in Alicante, Andrzej Szarmach, Stefan Majewski and Janusz Kupcewicz scoring in a seven-minute spell either side of half-time. The following month Poland also thrashed France 4-0 in a friendly at the Parc des Princes.
- France, who have not lost to Poland in seven games since those two 1982 defeats, won 1-0 in the nations' most recent meeting, in June 2011. Tomasz Jodłowiec's own goal consigned the UEFA EURO 2012 co-hosts to a friendly defeat in Warsaw.
- Poland winger Kamil Grosicki plays for French Ligue 1 club Rennes.

## Poland v Germany

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
04/09/2015	UEFA EURO	Frankfurt am Main (GER)	Germany - Poland	3 - 1
11/10/2014	UEFA EURO	Warsaw (POL)	Poland - Germany	2 - 0
08/06/2008	UEFA EURO	Klagenfurt (AUT)	Germany - Poland	2 - 0
14/06/2006	FIFA World Cup	Dortmund (GER)	Germany - Poland	1 - 0
01/06/1978	FIFA World Cup	Buenos Aires (ARG)	Germany - Poland	0 - 0
03/07/1974	FIFA World Cup	Frankfurt am Main (GER)	Poland - Germany	0 - 1
17/11/1971	UEFA EURO	Hamburg (GER)	Germany - Poland	0 - 0
10/10/1971	UEFA EURO	Warsaw (POL)	Poland - Germany	1 - 3

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	5	1	1	3	4	8
World Cup	3	0	1	2	0	2
Friendlies	12	0	4	8	8	24

- Poland finally ended their 18-match winless run against Germany when they defeated the world champions 2-0 in Warsaw during the UEFA EURO 2016 qualifying campaign, Arkadiusz Milik and Sebastian Mila getting the goals. The return match in Frankfurt ended 3-1 to Joachim Löw's side, who went on to top the group.
- Two Lukas Podolski goals earned Germany a 2-0 victory against the country of his birth at UEFA EURO 2008. Two years earlier, Oliver Neuville's last-minute winner knocked Poland out of the 2006 FIFA World Cup.
- The teams also met at the first World Cup staged on German soil, in 1974. Again the hosts won 1-0, in a decisive second phase game in Frankfurt, thanks to a late winner from Gerd Müller.
- Poland striker Robert Lewandowski, the UEFA EURO 2016 qualifying competition's leading scorer with a record 13 goals, plays alongside several current and former German internationals at Bayern München. Compatriots Łukasz Piszczek (Borussia Dortmund) and Paweł Olkowski (Köln) are also Bundesliga-based.

## Poland v Iceland

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
10/10/1979	UEFA EURO	Krakow (POL)	Poland - Iceland	2 - 0
06/09/1978	UEFA EURO	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Poland	0 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	2	0	0	4	0
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	4	3	1	0	9	5

- Poland defeated Iceland 4-2 in a Warsaw friendly in November 2015, captain Robert Lewandowski scoring two late goals to give the hosts a win that stretched their unbeaten record against their opponents to six matches.

- There have been just two competitive matches between the countries – both won 2-0 by Poland in qualifying for EURO '80.
- Poland goalkeeper Łukasz Fabiański is a club colleague of Iceland's Gylfi Sigurdsson at Swansea City.

## Poland v Italy

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
30/04/1997	FIFA World Cup	Naples (ITA)	Italy - Poland	3 - 0
02/04/1997	FIFA World Cup	Chorzow (POL)	Poland - Italy	0 - 0
08/07/1982	FIFA World Cup	Barcelona (ESP)	Poland - Italy	0 - 2
14/06/1982	FIFA World Cup	Vigo (ESP)	Italy - Poland	0 - 0
26/10/1975	UEFA EURO	Warsaw (POL)	Poland - Italy	0 - 0
19/04/1975	UEFA EURO	Rome (ITA)	Italy - Poland	0 - 0
23/06/1974	FIFA World Cup	Stuttgart (GER)	Poland - Italy	2 - 1
01/11/1965	FIFA World Cup	Rome (ITA)	Italy - Poland	6 - 1
18/04/1965	FIFA World Cup	Warsaw (POL)	Poland - Italy	0 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	0	2	0	0	0
World Cup	7	1	3	3	3	12
Friendlies	5	2	1	2	6	7

- The countries met twice at the 1982 FIFA World Cup, once in the group stage and again in the semi-finals, where Italy prevailed 2-0 thanks to two goals from Paolo Rossi; Poland were without star player Zbigniew Boniek, who was to join Italian club Juventus after the finals.
- Poland's only competitive victory came at the 1974 World Cup, a 2-1 win in Stuttgart sealing a group stage exit for Italy. The Azzurri defence has not been breached by Poland in six competitive matches since.
- Mario Balotelli and Giampaolo Pazzini scored as Italy triumphed 2-0 in the most recent meeting, a friendly in Wroclaw in November 2011.

## Poland v Northern Ireland

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
05/09/2009	FIFA World Cup	Chorzow (POL)	Poland - Northern Ireland	1 - 1
28/03/2009	FIFA World Cup	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Poland	3 - 2
30/03/2005	FIFA World Cup	Warsaw (POL)	Poland - Northern Ireland	1 - 0
04/09/2004	FIFA World Cup	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Poland	0 - 3
28/11/1962	UEFA EURO	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Poland	2 - 0 (agg: 4-0)
10/10/1962	UEFA EURO	Chorzow (POL)	Poland - Northern Ireland	0 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	0	0	2	0	4
World Cup	4	2	1	1	7	4
Friendlies	3	1	1	1	6	5

- The nations have not met in the UEFA European Championship since 1962, when Northern Ireland won two qualifiers in two months – 2-0 in Chorzow and 2-0 again in Belfast.
- It took Poland 43 years to exact their revenge, winning both 2006 FIFA World Cup qualifiers, for which they progressed as section runners-up to England. Maciej Żurawski scored in both games as Poland won 3-0 in Belfast and 1-0 in Warsaw.
- Northern Ireland were back in charge for the 2010 World Cup qualifiers, winning 3-2 at home and drawing 1-1

away with Kyle Lafferty opening the scoring in Chorzow. Neither side made it to South Africa.

## Poland v Portugal

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
08/09/2007	UEFA EURO	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Poland	2 - 2
11/10/2006	UEFA EURO	Chorzow (POL)	Poland - Portugal	2 - 1
10/06/2002	FIFA World Cup	Jeonju (KOR)	Portugal - Poland	4 - 0
07/06/1986	FIFA World Cup	Monterrey (MEX)	Poland - Portugal	1 - 0
28/10/1983	UEFA EURO	Wroclaw (POL)	Poland - Portugal	0 - 1
10/10/1982	UEFA EURO	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Poland	2 - 1
29/10/1977	FIFA World Cup	Chorzow (POL)	Poland - Portugal	1 - 1
16/10/1976	FIFA World Cup	Porto (POR)	Portugal - Poland	0 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	1	1	2	5	6
World Cup	4	2	1	1	4	5
Friendlies	2	0	1	1	0	2

- Poland and Portugal qualified for UEFA EURO 2008 from the same group. Poland had the better of the head-to-head fixtures, winning 2-1 at home and drawing 2-2 away, and eventually topped the section.
- Euzebiusz Smolarek scored both of Poland's goals in Chorzow. He was named after Eusébio by his father Włodzimierz Smolarek, who got Poland's winning goal against Portugal at the 1986 FIFA World Cup. No other Polish player scored against Portugal in the intervening 20 years.
- Pauleta scored a hat-trick when Portugal last defeated Poland, 4-0 at the 2002 World Cup in Jeonju, South Korea. The most recent fixture was a goalless Warsaw friendly in February 2012.

## Poland v Republic of Ireland

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
11/10/2015	UEFA EURO	Warsaw (POL)	Poland - Republic of Ireland	2 - 1
29/03/2015	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Poland	1 - 1
16/10/1991	UEFA EURO	Poznan (POL)	Poland - Republic of Ireland	3 - 3
01/05/1991	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Poland	0 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	1	3	0	6	5
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	24	10	8	6	39	26

- Poland defeated the Republic of Ireland 2-1 in Warsaw in their final game to qualify directly for UEFA EURO 2016. Grzegorz Krychowiak and Robert Lewandowski – with his record-equalling 13th goal of the competition (matching David Healy's 2008 mark for Northern Ireland) – scored for the home side, a Jonathan Walters penalty providing the consolation for the visitors.
- The Group D qualifier in Dublin ended 1-1 when an added-time Shane Long strike cancelled out Sławomir Peszko's first-half effort.
- The only other competitive fixtures between the nations came in qualifying for EURO '92. A goalless stalemate in Dublin and a 3-3 draw in Poznan left both nations behind sole group qualifiers England.

**Poland v Russia****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
12/06/2012	UEFA EURO	Warsaw (POL)	Poland - Russia	1 - 1
09/10/1983	UEFA EURO	Moscow (RUS)	USSR - Poland	2 - 0
22/05/1983	UEFA EURO	Chorzow (POL)	Poland - USSR	1 - 1
04/07/1982	FIFA World Cup	Barcelona (ESP)	Poland - USSR	0 - 0
24/11/1957	FIFA World Cup	Leipzig (GER)	USSR - Poland	2 - 0
20/10/1957	FIFA World Cup	Chorzow (POL)	Poland - USSR	2 - 1
23/06/1957	FIFA World Cup	Moscow (RUS)	USSR - Poland	3 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	3	0	2	1	2	4
World Cup	4	1	1	2	2	6
Friendlies	8	2	2	4	10	19

- Jakub Błaszczykowski scored his first international goal when Poland came from behind to draw 2-2 with Russia in an August 2007 friendly in Moscow. His spectacular strike also salvaged a point for the UEFA EURO 2012 co-hosts in their group game against Russia, for whom Alan Dzagoev had opened the scoring.
- That 2012 encounter in Warsaw was the nations' first competitive fixture, but the USSR were frequent opponents for Poland. A 0-0 draw in Barcelona sealed the latter's semi-final place at the 1982 FIFA World Cup.
- Russia striker Viktor Ponedelnik hit a hat-trick as the USSR beat Poland 7-1 in a friendly ahead of the 1960 UEFA European Championship. Ponedelnik also got the winner in the final against Yugoslavia.

**Poland v Spain****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
14/10/1959	UEFA EURO	Madrid (ESP)	Spain - Poland	3 - 0 (agg: 7-2)
28/06/1959	UEFA EURO	Chorzow (POL)	Poland - Spain	2 - 4

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	0	0	2	2	7
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	8	1	1	6	6	20

- Poland's only victory against Spain came in a Barcelona friendly in April 1980, two goals from Andrzej Iwan bringing a 2-1 win. They also performed well on Spanish soil two years later in the FIFA World Cup where, inspired by Zbigniew Boniek, they finished third.
- Spain have triumphed in six of the last seven encounters, registering their largest win the last time the teams met, 6-0 in a 2010 World Cup warm-up fixture in Murcia.
- Poland midfielder Grzegorz Krychowiak plays in Spain for Sevilla and won the UEFA Europa League with the club in 2015, scoring in the Warsaw final.

**Poland v Switzerland****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
12/09/1979	UEFA EURO	Lausanne (SUI)	Switzerland - Poland	0 - 2
15/11/1978	UEFA EURO	Wroclaw (POL)	Poland - Switzerland	2 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	2	0	0	4	0
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	8	2	5	1	16	11

- Switzerland have only one victory over Poland in ten meetings. It came in a 1976 friendly in Basel (2-1).
- The nations' only competitive encounters came in the qualifiers for EURO '80. Poland won both matches 2-0 but failed to reach the finals in Italy, finishing one point behind the Netherlands.
- The teams last met in November 2014 for a friendly in Wroclaw, Switzerland's Fabian Frei scoring a late equaliser in a 2-2 draw. Josip Drmic had given the visitors an early lead; Artur Jędrzejczyk and Arkadiusz Milik scored in between for Poland.

**Poland v Turkey****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
27/10/1993	FIFA World Cup	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Poland	2 - 1
23/09/1992	FIFA World Cup	Poznan (POL)	Poland - Turkey	1 - 0
17/04/1991	UEFA EURO	Warsaw (POL)	Poland - Turkey	3 - 0
14/11/1990	UEFA EURO	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Poland	0 - 1
05/12/1971	UEFA EURO	Izmir (TUR)	Turkey - Poland	1 - 0
22/09/1971	UEFA EURO	Krakow (POL)	Poland - Turkey	5 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	3	0	1	9	2
World Cup	2	1	0	1	2	2
Friendlies	11	7	3	1	28	8

- Poland and Turkey have not met since qualifying for the 1994 FIFA World Cup.
- On each of the three occasions that the nations have been drawn in the same qualifying group – for EURO '72, EURO '92 and USA '94 – neither has made it through to the finals.
- Poland defender Łukasz Szukała plays in the Turkish Süper Lig for Osmanlıspor.

**Poland v Ukraine****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
11/10/2013	FIFA World Cup	Kharkiv (UKR)	Ukraine - Poland	1 - 0
22/03/2013	FIFA World Cup	Warsaw (POL)	Poland - Ukraine	1 - 3
06/10/2001	FIFA World Cup	Chorzow (POL)	Poland - Ukraine	1 - 1
02/09/2000	FIFA World Cup	Kyiv (UKR)	Ukraine - Poland	1 - 3

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	4	1	1	2	5	6
Friendlies	3	1	1	1	3	3



- Poland and Ukraine were co-hosts of UEFA EURO 2012; neither team progressed beyond the group stage.
- Poland won the first two meetings, including a 3-1 victory in Kyiv that helped them qualify for the 2002 FIFA World Cup, but Ukraine are undefeated in the last five. They did the double over their neighbours in 2014 World Cup qualifying.
- Andriy Yarmolenko scored in both matches – a 3-1 win in Warsaw and a 1-0 success in Kharkiv.

## Poland v Wales

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
07/09/2005	FIFA World Cup	Warsaw (POL)	Poland - Wales	1 - 0
13/10/2004	FIFA World Cup	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Poland	2 - 3
02/06/2001	FIFA World Cup	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Poland	1 - 2
11/10/2000	FIFA World Cup	Warsaw (POL)	Poland - Wales	0 - 0
26/09/1973	FIFA World Cup	Chorzow (POL)	Poland - Wales	3 - 0
28/03/1973	FIFA World Cup	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Poland	2 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	6	4	1	1	9	5
Friendlies	2	1	1	0	1	0

- The countries have never met in the UEFA European Championship, but whenever they have been drawn in the same FIFA World Cup qualifying group, Poland have to go on to reach the final tournament – in 1974, 2002 and 2006.
- Although Wales came out on top the first time the teams met – winning 2-0 at Ninian Park, Cardiff in March 1973 – Poland are unbeaten in seven games since, winning five, including the last three competitive fixtures.
- Poland goalkeeper Łukasz Fabiański plays his club football in Wales with Swansea City – as do current Wales internationals Ashley Williams and Neil Taylor.

## Romania

### Romania - Team profile

**Best result:** quarter-finals 2000

**Coach:** Anghel Iordănescu

**Leading scorer:** all time – Gheorghe Hagi, Adrian Mutu (35); current – Ciprian Marica (25)

**Most appearances:** all time – Dorinel Munteanu (134); current – Răzvan Raț (108)

**Association formed:** 1909

**Nickname:** Tricolorii (The Tricolours)

**Where they play:** Arena Națională, Bucharest

One of only four countries to participate in each of the first three FIFA World Cups, Romania saved their finest hour for the 1994 tournament in the United States, where, with playmaker Gheorghe Hagi in peerless form, they reached the quarter-finals, losing to Sweden only on penalties.

They would participate in three of the next four UEFA European Championships, their best effort coming in 2000 when a late penalty enabled them to beat England 3-2 and earn a place in the quarter-finals, where they lost to Italy. Having not reached the World Cup since 1998, their 2014 hopes ended with a play-off defeat by Greece but they recovered to qualify unbeaten for UEFA EURO 2016, with veteran USA '94 boss Anghel Iordănescu returning to the fold in mid-campaign.

#### EURO pedigree

##### Matches played

**Overall:** P128 W60 D39 L29 F216 A118

**Final tournament:** P13 W1 D4 L8 F8 A17

**Qualifying:** P115 W59 D35 L21 F208 A101

Having often encountered tough draws when they have reached the finals, Romania's EURO success has been limited although, having qualified unbeaten, Emeric Ienei guided his team through a group containing Germany, Portugal and England to reach the last eight of UEFA EURO 2000. It was a feat that Victor Pițurcă had a chance of matching eight years later after impressive draws against 2006 World Cup finalists France and Italy – Adrian Mutu scoring but later missing a penalty in the latter match – but beating the Netherlands in the final group game proved a step too far.

A slow start cost them the chance to make it to UEFA EURO 2012, draws against Albania and Belarus preceding a 2-0 loss in France. Răzvan Lucescu was succeeded six games in by Pițurcă, back for a third spell as national coach, and three draws and a victory in the last four matches both earned third spot and provided hope for the future.

#### Memorable EURO matches

##### **14/10/2007: Romania 1-0 Netherlands, UEFA EURO 2008 qualifying**

Dorin Goian's goal earned a first win against the Netherlands and with it a finals place.

##### **20/06/2000: Romania 3-2 England, UEFA EURO 2000 group stage**

Ionel Ganea's 89th-minute penalty helped Romania dramatically secure a quarter-final berth.

##### **05/06/1999: Romania 2-0 Hungary, UEFA EURO 2000 qualifying**

Gheorghe Hagi came out of retirement to inspire Romania to a win that took them into the finals.

#### Did you know?

UEFA EURO 2016 is the fourth of the last six UEFA European Championships for which Romania have qualified.

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## Romania - Coach profile

### Anghel Iordănescu

**Date of birth:** 4 May 1950

**Nationality:** Romanian

**Playing career:** FC Steaua București, OFI Crete FC

**Coaching career:** FC Steaua București (twice), Anorthosis Famagusta FC, Romania (three times), Greece, Al-Hilal, FC Rapid București, Al-Ain (twice), Al-Ittihad

- The Romanian Football Federation (FRF) named Iordănescu 'Coach of the 20th Century' for his exploits with both Steaua and the national team, to which he was appointed for the third time on 27 October 2014.
- Between the ages of 12 and 32 he was a midfielder with Steaua, making his debut aged 18 in 1968. Before leaving in 1982 he won two titles and four Romanian Cups, scoring 155 goals in 317 league games. He also made 57 appearances for Romania, scoring 21 international goals.
- After two years at OFI Crete, returned to Steaua as assistant and surprisingly played as a 73rd-minute substitute in the 1986 European Champions Clubs' Cup final win against FC Barcelona. Then became Steaua coach, winning the UEFA Super Cup, three league titles and three cups in four seasons as well as reaching the 1989 European Cup final. After two years at Anorthosis, returned to Steaua and won the league again.
- In 1993 became national coach and led Romania to their first FIFA World Cup quarter-final a year later, also taking them to EURO '96 and the 1998 World Cup where they made the last 16, a unique run in the team's history. After 1998 had spells as Greece coach and in the Middle East, leading Al-Hilal to 2000 Asian Club Championship victory, and coached Romania again between 2002 and 2004.
- In 2004 he joined Saudi Arabia's Al-Ittihad, winning the 2005 AFC Champions League, before retiring from football to concentrate on politics, becoming a Romanian senator. However in 2013 he was appointed FRF technical director and ten months later became national coach again.

## Romania - Team facts

### EURO record

	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
Overall	128	60	39	29	216	118
Final tournament	13	1	4	8	8	17
Qualifying	115	59	35	21	208	101

### UEFA European Championship records: Romania

#### History

2012 – did not qualify  
 2008 – group stage  
 2004 – did not qualify  
 2000 – quarter-finals  
 1996 – group stage  
 1992 – did not qualify  
 1988 – did not qualify  
 1984 – group stage  
 1980 – did not qualify  
 1976 – did not qualify  
 1972 – did not qualify  
 1968 – did not qualify  
 1964 – did not qualify  
 1960 – did not qualify

#### Final tournament win

**2-3:** England v Romania, 20/06/00

#### Final tournament loss

**2-0:** Netherlands v Romania, 17/06/08

**2-0:** Italy v Romania, 24/06/00

#### Qualifying win

**7-0:** Romania v Liechtenstein, 02/09/98

**7-0:** Romania v Cyprus, 23/04/67

**0-7:** Luxembourg v Romania, 16/10/02

#### Qualifying defeat

**7-1:** Switzerland v Romania, 24/05/67

**6-0:** Spain v Romania, 01/11/62

#### Final tournament appearances

**8:** Gheorghe Hagi  
**7:** Cristian Chivu  
**7:** Dorinel Munteanu  
**6:** Cosmin Contra  
**6:** Dan Petrescu  
**6:** Bogdan Stelea  
**6:** Viorel Moldovan  
**6:** Constantin Gâlcă  
**6:** Adrian Ilie  
**6:** Adrian Mutu  
**6:** Gheorghe Popescu

#### Final tournament goals

**1:** Viorel Moldovan  
**1:** Cristian Chivu  
**1:** Dorinel Munteanu  
**1:** Ioan Ganea  
**1:** Florin Răducioiu  
**1:** Laszlo Bölöni  
**1:** Marcel Coraș  
**1:** Adrian Mutu

**Overall appearances****38:** Răzvan Raț**36:** Gheorghe Popescu**35:** Dorinel Munteanu**32:** Gheorghe Hagi**31:** Dan Petrescu**31:** Ioan Lupescu**Overall goals****16:** Adrian Mutu**9:** Ciprian Marica**9:** Florin Răduțoiu**8:** Gheorghe Hagi**8:** Dorinel Munteanu**8:** Ioan Ganea**UEFA EURO and FIFA World Cup campaigns**

Season	Competition	Result	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
2016	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	10	5	5	0	11	2
2014	World Cup qualifying	Play-off for Final Tournament	12	6	2	4	21	16
2012	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	10	3	5	2	13	9
2010	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 5th in group	10	3	3	4	12	18
2008	EURO finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	3	0	2	1	1	3
2008	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	12	9	2	1	26	7
2006	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	12	8	1	3	20	10
2004	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	8	4	2	2	21	9
2002	World Cup qualifying	Play-off for Final Tournament	10	5	2	3	12	10
2000	EURO finals	Quarter-finals	4	1	1	2	4	6
2000	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 1st in group (qualified)	10	7	3	0	25	3
1998	World Cup finals	Round of 16	4	2	1	1	4	3
1998	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	10	9	1	0	37	4
1996	EURO finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 4th in group	3	0	0	3	1	4
1996	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 1st in group (qualified)	10	6	3	1	18	9
1994	World Cup finals	Quarter-finals	5	3	1	1	10	9
1994	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	10	7	1	2	29	12
1992	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 3rd in group	8	4	2	2	13	7
1990	World Cup finals	Round of 16	4	1	2	1	4	3
1990	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	6	4	1	1	10	5
1988	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 2nd in group	6	4	1	1	13	3
1986	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	8	3	3	2	12	7
1984	EURO finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 4th in group	3	0	1	2	2	4
1984	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 1st in group (qualified)	8	5	2	1	9	3
1982	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	8	2	4	2	5	5
1980	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 3rd in group	6	2	2	2	9	8
1978	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	4	2	0	2	7	8
1976	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 2nd in group	6	1	5	0	11	6
1974	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	6	4	1	1	17	4
1972	EURO qualifying	Quarter-finals Replay	9	4	3	2	15	7
1970	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	3	1	0	2	4	5
1970	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	6	3	2	1	7	6

**UEFA EURO and FIFA World Cup campaigns**

1968	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 2nd in group	6	3	0	3	18	14
1966	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	6	3	0	3	9	7
1964	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round	2	1	0	1	3	7
1960	EURO qualifying	Quarter-finals	4	1	0	3	3	7
1958	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	4	2	1	1	6	4
1954	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	4	2	0	2	5	5
1938	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage	2	0	1	1	4	5
1934	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage	1	0	0	1	1	2
1934	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group (qualified)	2	1	0	1	2	3
1930	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 2nd in group	2	1	0	1	3	5

## Romania - Head to head against teams in other pots

### Romania v Albania

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
11/10/2011	UEFA EURO	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Romania	1 - 1
03/09/2010	UEFA EURO	Piatra Neamt (ROU)	Romania - Albania	1 - 1
21/11/2007	UEFA EURO	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Albania	6 - 1
06/09/2006	UEFA EURO	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Romania	0 - 2
28/10/1987	UEFA EURO	Vlora (ALB)	Albania - Romania	0 - 1
25/03/1987	UEFA EURO	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Albania	5 - 1
06/05/1973	FIFA World Cup	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Romania	1 - 4
29/10/1972	FIFA World Cup	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Albania	2 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	6	4	2	0	16	4
World Cup	2	2	0	0	6	1
Friendlies	9	5	2	2	20	5

- Romania are Albania's most frequent opponents having faced them on 16 occasions.
- Albania are yet to beat Romania in eight competitive fixtures. Romania won the first six until qualifying for UEFA EURO 2012, when the teams twice drew 1-1.
- Experienced Romania left-back Răzvan Raț scored the only goal when the teams last met, in Yverdon, Switzerland in a friendly in May 2014.

### Romania v Austria

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
09/09/2009	FIFA World Cup	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Austria	1 - 1
01/04/2009	FIFA World Cup	Klagenfurt (AUT)	Austria - Romania	2 - 1
18/11/1987	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Romania	0 - 0
10/09/1986	UEFA EURO	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Austria	4 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	1	1	0	4	0
World Cup	2	0	1	1	2	3
Friendlies	4	0	3	1	3	6

- Five of the eight matches played between Austria and Romania have ended in draws, including the most recent encounter – 0-0 in an Innsbruck friendly in June 2012.
- Austria ended an 85-year wait for a second win against Romania when they defeated them 2-1 in 2010 FIFA World Cup qualifying, Erwin Hoffer scoring the goals.
- Romania's sole victory against Austria was comprehensive – 4-0 in Bucharest in EURO '88 qualifying. Gheorghe Hagi completed the scoring in the last minute.

**Romania v Belgium****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
13/10/1993	FIFA World Cup	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Belgium	2 - 1
14/10/1992	FIFA World Cup	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Romania	1 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	2	1	0	1	2	2
Friendlies	10	4	2	4	12	14

- The countries are evenly matched historically with five wins apiece in their 12 encounters between 1937 and 2012; no team has recorded an away victory.
- Home wins were the order of the day in qualifying for the 1994 FIFA World Cup, the only two competitive matches between the sides.
- There were 2-1 home successes in both of the teams' recent friendly encounters, Belgium taking the spoils in Liege in November 2011. Romania did likewise in Bucharest 12 months later, Alexandru Maxim and a Gabriel Torje penalty responding to Christian Benteke's opener.

**Romania v Croatia****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
30/06/1998	FIFA World Cup	Bordeaux (FRA)	Romania - Croatia	0 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	1	0	0	1	0	1
Friendlies	3	0	1	2	3	5

- Romania were eliminated by Croatia in the round of 16 at the 1998 FIFA World Cup, Davor Šuker converting a penalty. That was Romania's last match in the World Cup finals.
- Croatia played Romania while still part of Yugoslavia, in December 1990. They won the match in Rijeka 2-0, although the Romanian Football Federation do not recognise the fixture as official.
- Croatia have also won both of the teams' last two meetings, friendlies on Romanian soil in Timisoara (1-0) and Bucharest (2-1).



**Romania v England****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
20/06/2000	UEFA EURO	Charleroi (BEL)	England - Romania	2 - 3
22/06/1998	FIFA World Cup	Toulouse (FRA)	Romania - England	2 - 1
11/09/1985	FIFA World Cup	London (ENG)	England - Romania	1 - 1
01/05/1985	FIFA World Cup	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - England	0 - 0
29/04/1981	FIFA World Cup	London (ENG)	England - Romania	0 - 0
15/10/1980	FIFA World Cup	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - England	2 - 1
02/06/1970	FIFA World Cup	Guadalajara (MEX)	England - Romania	1 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	1	1	0	0	3	2
World Cup	6	2	3	1	5	4
Friendlies	4	0	3	1	2	4

- England defeated Romania in their first competitive encounter – 1-0 at the 1970 FIFA World Cup with a goal from 1966 final hat-trick hero Geoff Hurst – but they have not beaten them in seven matches since.
- Paired together in the qualifying campaigns for the 1982 and 1986 World Cups, England qualified for both tournaments despite not winning home or away to Romania, who, paradoxically, missed the cut on each occasion.
- Romania overcame England with late winning goals in the group stage at successive major tournaments, the 1998 World Cup (2-1) and UEFA EURO 2000 (3-2), progressing to the quarter-finals in the latter at their opponents' expense.

**Romania v France****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
06/09/2011	UEFA EURO	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - France	0 - 0
09/10/2010	UEFA EURO	Saint-Denis (FRA)	France - Romania	2 - 0
05/09/2009	FIFA World Cup	Saint-Denis (FRA)	France - Romania	1 - 1
11/10/2008	FIFA World Cup	Constanta (ROU)	Romania - France	2 - 2
09/06/2008	UEFA EURO	Zurich (SUI)	Romania - France	0 - 0
10/06/1996	UEFA EURO	Newcastle (ENG)	Romania - France	0 - 1
11/10/1995	UEFA EURO	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - France	1 - 3
08/10/1994	UEFA EURO	Saint-Etienne (FRA)	France - Romania	0 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	6	0	3	3	1	6
World Cup	2	0	2	0	3	3
Friendlies	7	3	0	4	11	10

- France and Romania drew 0-0 at UEFA EURO 2008 in Zurich before being paired together in the next two qualifying tournaments, for the 2010 FIFA World Cup and UEFA EURO 2012.
- Three of those four qualifying matches were also drawn, the exception being a 2-0 home win for France in October 2010 in which Loïc Rémy opened the scoring.
- France and Romania met competitively for the first time in EURO '96 fixtures, both in qualifying and at the finals. At the latter, a Christophe Dugarry goal decided the group game in Newcastle and gave Les Bleus a tenth successive victory under coach Aimé Jacquet.

**Romania v Germany****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
12/06/2000	UEFA EURO	Liege (BEL)	Germany - Romania	1 - 1
17/06/1984	UEFA EURO	Lens (FRA)	Germany - Romania	2 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	0	1	1	2	3
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	11	2	2	7	16	35

- West Germany defeated Romania 2-1 at EURO '84 with two Rudi Völler goals, although they failed to reach the semi-finals. There was another first-round exit for Germany at UEFA EURO 2000, where a 1-1 draw with Romania was their only point; the Romanians did proceed to the quarter-finals.
- Romania have won their last two home fixtures against Germany – 1-0 in November 1967 and 5-1 in April 2004 with Răzvan Raț, who still plays for his country, among those on target.
- The most recent encounter, a Cologne friendly in September 2007, resulted in a 3-1 win for Germany. Lukas Podolski completed the scoring.

**Romania v Iceland****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
10/09/1997	FIFA World Cup	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Iceland	4 - 0
09/10/1996	FIFA World Cup	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Romania	0 - 4

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	2	2	0	0	8	0
Friendlies	-	-	-	-	-	-

- Romania defeated Iceland 4-0 home and away in qualifying for the 1998 FIFA World Cup, Gheorghe Hagi scoring three of their eight goals.
- The nations had not met before those fixtures and have not played since.
- Iceland's Ólafur Skúlason and Romania's Bogdan Stancu play together in the Turkish Süper Lig at Gençlerbirliği.

**Romania v Italy****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
13/06/2008	UEFA EURO	Zurich (SUI)	Italy - Romania	1 - 1
24/03/2001	FIFA World Cup	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Italy	0 - 2
07/10/2000	FIFA World Cup	Milan (ITA)	Italy - Romania	3 - 0
24/06/2000	UEFA EURO	Brussels (BEL)	Italy - Romania	2 - 0
16/04/1983	UEFA EURO	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Italy	1 - 0
04/12/1982	UEFA EURO	Florence (ITA)	Italy - Romania	0 - 0
25/06/1967	UEFA EURO	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Italy	0 - 1
26/11/1966	UEFA EURO	Naples (ITA)	Italy - Romania	3 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	6	1	2	3	3	7
World Cup	2	0	0	2	0	5
Friendlies	9	1	3	5	11	16

- Italy and Romania drew 1-1 at UEFA EURO 2008, Christian Panucci equalising Adrian Mutu's opener within a minute and Gianluigi Buffon then keeping his team in the tournament by saving a late Mutu penalty.
- Italy had won the four meetings prior to that Zurich encounter without conceding a goal, the sequence beginning with a 2-0 victory in Brussels in the quarter-finals of UEFA EURO 2000. Francesco Totti and Filippo Inzaghi scored, while Gheorghe Hagi was sent off on his 124th and last appearance for Romania. Inzaghi also struck in each of Italy's two wins (3-0 at home, 2-0 away) in 2002 FIFA World Cup qualifying.
- Romania helped to eliminate world champions Italy from the EURO '84 qualifying competition, going through to the finals in France as group winners thanks to a 0-0 draw in Florence and a 1-0 success in Bucharest.

**Romania v Northern Ireland****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
13/06/2015	UEFA EURO	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Romania	0 - 0
14/11/2014	UEFA EURO	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Northern Ireland	2 - 0
16/10/1985	FIFA World Cup	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Northern Ireland	0 - 1
12/09/1984	FIFA World Cup	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Romania	3 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	1	1	0	2	0
World Cup	2	0	0	2	2	4
Friendlies	2	1	0	1	2	2

- The teams qualified from the same group for UEFA EURO 2016. Romania had the better of the head-to-head contests – 2-0 in Bucharest with two goals from defender Paul Papp, 0-0 in Belfast – but Northern Ireland won the group.
- Current coach Anghel Iordănescu was in charge the last time Northern Ireland defeated Romania – 2-0 in a March 1994 friendly. A few months later, however, he led Romania to the quarter-finals of the FIFA World Cup in the United States.
- That victory made it three wins out of three for Northern Ireland against Romania. In their only two previous encounters, qualifiers for the 1986 World Cup, Billy Bingham's side overcame Mircea Lucescu's Romania 3-2 in Belfast and 1-0 in Bucharest.

**Romania v Portugal****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
17/06/2000	UEFA EURO	Arnhem (NED)	Romania - Portugal	0 - 1
08/09/1999	UEFA EURO	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Portugal	1 - 1
10/10/1998	UEFA EURO	Porto (POR)	Portugal - Romania	0 - 1
20/06/1984	UEFA EURO	Nantes (FRA)	Portugal - Romania	1 - 0
12/10/1969	FIFA World Cup	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Portugal	1 - 0
27/10/1968	FIFA World Cup	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Romania	3 - 0
21/11/1965	FIFA World Cup	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Portugal	2 - 0
13/06/1965	FIFA World Cup	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Romania	2 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	1	1	2	2	3
World Cup	4	2	0	2	4	5
Friendlies	3	1	1	1	3	3

- The countries have met twice at UEFA European Championship final tournaments, Portugal winning 1-0 on each occasion en route to reaching the knockout phase.
- Nené struck the 81st-minute winner in Nantes at EURO '84. Costinha's 90th-minute goal won the UEFA EURO 2000 match-up in Arnhem, when Romania also progressed to the quarter-finals alongside their opponents.
- The teams had qualified together for the 2000 finals, Romania's Dorinel Munteanu scoring a late winner in Porto before goals from Gheorghe Hagi and Luís Figo ensured a 1-1 draw in Bucharest. Romania won the group, Portugal also qualifying automatically for the finals as the best runners-up.

**Romania v Republic of Ireland****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
11/10/1997	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Romania	1 - 1
30/04/1997	FIFA World Cup	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Republic of Ireland	1 - 0
25/06/1990	FIFA World Cup	Genoa (ITA)	Republic of Ireland - Romania	0 - 0 (5-4p)

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	3	1	2	0	2	1
Friendlies	2	0	0	2	0	3

- The Republic of Ireland defeated Romania 5-4 on penalties after a 0-0 draw in Genoa to reach the 1990 FIFA World Cup quarter-finals. It is the nations' only final tournament meeting to date.
- Current Romania head coach Anghel Iordănescu was in charge when Romania finished ten points ahead of Ireland in their 1998 World Cup qualifying group. A 1-0 home win was followed by a 1-1 draw in Dublin – the only points Romania dropped in the section – when Tony Cascarino scored a late equaliser following Gheorghe Hagi's stunning long-range strike.
- Only one encounter has taken place since then, a May 2004 friendly in Dublin which Ireland won 1-0.

**Romania v Russia****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
09/06/1990	FIFA World Cup	Bari (ITA)	USSR - Romania	0 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	1	1	0	0	2	0
Friendlies	9	3	2	4	11	13

- The only official encounter between the countries was a March 2008 friendly in Bucharest, Romania winning 3-0 with Ciprian Marica opening the scoring. Romania's 4-2 win in Limassol in 2003 is not recognised as an official international by the Romanian Football Federation (FRF).
- Romania and the USSR met in the 1990 FIFA World Cup group stage, the nations' only major tournament encounter. Romania won 2-0 in Bari, with two goals from Marius Lăcătuș.

**Romania v Spain****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
18/06/1996	UEFA EURO	Leeds (ENG)	Romania - Spain	1 - 2
29/04/1987	UEFA EURO	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Spain	3 - 1
12/11/1986	UEFA EURO	Seville (ESP)	Spain - Romania	1 - 0
14/06/1984	UEFA EURO	Saint-Etienne (FRA)	Romania - Spain	1 - 1
04/04/1979	UEFA EURO	Craiova (ROU)	Romania - Spain	2 - 2
15/11/1978	UEFA EURO	Valencia (ESP)	Spain - Romania	1 - 0
26/10/1977	FIFA World Cup	Madrid (ESP)	Spain - Romania	2 - 0
16/04/1977	FIFA World Cup	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Spain	1 - 0
16/11/1975	UEFA EURO	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Spain	2 - 2
17/04/1975	UEFA EURO	Madrid (ESP)	Spain - Romania	1 - 1
25/11/1962	UEFA EURO	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Spain	3 - 1 (agg: 3-7)
01/11/1962	UEFA EURO	Madrid (ESP)	Spain - Romania	6 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	10	2	4	4	13	18
World Cup	2	1	0	1	1	2
Friendlies	3	2	1	0	4	1

- Romania and Spain have contested ten UEFA European Championship fixtures, including two in final tournaments. The first of those, at EURO '84 in Saint-Etienne, ended 1-1; Spain prevailed 2-1 in Leeds 12 years later thanks to a late winner from Guillermo Amor.
- Following Romania's 1-0 2006 friendly win in Cadiz, the nations are level after 15 matches with five wins apiece and five draws.
- Romania skipper Răzvan Raț currently plays in Madrid, having joined Rayo Vallecano last summer.

**Romania v Switzerland****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
22/06/1994	FIFA World Cup	Detroit (USA)	Romania - Switzerland	1 - 4
13/11/1991	UEFA EURO	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Switzerland	1 - 0
03/04/1991	UEFA EURO	Neuchatel (SUI)	Switzerland - Romania	0 - 0
11/11/1981	FIFA World Cup	Berne (SUI)	Switzerland - Romania	0 - 0
10/10/1981	FIFA World Cup	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Switzerland	1 - 2
14/05/1969	FIFA World Cup	Lausanne (SUI)	Switzerland - Romania	0 - 1
23/11/1968	FIFA World Cup	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Switzerland	2 - 0
24/05/1967	UEFA EURO	Zurich (SUI)	Switzerland - Romania	7 - 1
02/11/1966	UEFA EURO	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Switzerland	4 - 2
29/10/1933	FIFA World Cup	Berne (SUI)	Switzerland - Romania	2 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	2	1	1	6	9
World Cup	6	2	1	3	5	8
Friendlies	2	1	0	1	2	2

- Switzerland enjoyed one of their finest FIFA World Cup victories when they beat Romania 4-1 indoors at the Pontiac Silverdome, Detroit in 1994. However, Romania recovered to win the group and progress to the quarter-finals while the Swiss exited in the round of 16.
- Swiss hopes of qualifying for EURO '92 were ruined when, needing a point from their final fixture in Bucharest, they lost to a late goal from Romania midfielder Dorin Mateuț. That meant Scotland reached the finals instead.
- Romania have beaten Switzerland on Swiss soil twice in six attempts, including their latest visit, in May 2012, when they prevailed 1-0 in Lucerne.

**Romania v Turkey****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
10/09/2013	FIFA World Cup	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Turkey	0 - 2
12/10/2012	FIFA World Cup	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Romania	0 - 1
13/11/1985	FIFA World Cup	Izmir (TUR)	Turkey - Romania	1 - 3
03/04/1985	FIFA World Cup	Craiova (ROU)	Romania - Turkey	3 - 0
23/10/1965	FIFA World Cup	Ankara (TUR)	Turkey - Romania	2 - 1
02/05/1965	FIFA World Cup	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Turkey	3 - 0
26/04/1959	UEFA EURO	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Romania	2 - 0 (agg: 2-3)
02/11/1958	UEFA EURO	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Turkey	3 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	1	0	1	3	2
World Cup	6	4	0	2	11	5
Friendlies	17	8	7	2	33	17

- Romania and Turkey have met 25 times but their only UEFA European Championship encounters came in the first round of the inaugural 1960 event. Romania went through to the quarter-finals 3-2 on aggregate after both sides won at home.
- In contrast the most recent competitive encounters, in 2014 FIFA World Cup qualifying, both resulted in away wins. Romania's Gheorghe Grozav scored the only goal in Istanbul before Burak Yılmaz and Mevlüt Erdinc made it 2-0 to Turkey in Bucharest.

- Romania's Gabriel Torje and Bogdan Stancu both play in the Turkish Süper Lig, at Osmanlıspor and Gençlerbirliği respectively.

### Romania v Ukraine

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	5	3	1	1	11	6

- There have been no competitive meetings between Romania and Ukraine.
- Romania have the better record in five friendly encounters with three wins to one, including the only away success – 2-0 in Donetsk in 2003. Romania's joint record scorer Adrian Mutu got both goals.
- Yevhen Konoplyanka scored his first international goal – on his second appearance for Ukraine – in their 3-2 friendly victory over Romania in Lviv in May 2010.

### Romania v Wales

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
17/11/1993	FIFA World Cup	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Romania	1 - 2
20/05/1992	FIFA World Cup	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Wales	5 - 1
24/11/1971	UEFA EURO	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Wales	2 - 0
11/11/1970	UEFA EURO	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Romania	0 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	1	1	0	2	0
World Cup	2	2	0	0	7	2
Friendlies	1	0	0	1	0	5

- Romania reached the 1994 FIFA World Cup at Wales' expense, following a 5-1 home victory with a 2-1 away win in their final qualifier. Current head coach Anghel Iordănescu was in charge in Cardiff as the hosts, led by Terry Yorath, missed a penalty at 1-1 – through Paul Bodin – when a victory would have taken Wales through instead of their opponents. Romania went on to reach the quarter-finals in the United States.
- Florin Răduciou's late winner in Cardiff meant that he ended up as the European zone's top scorer, with nine goals, edging Wales's Ian Rush (eight) into second place.
- There have been no meetings since then.

 **Slovakia**
**Slovakia - Team profile**

**Best result:** never previously qualified

**Coach:** Ján Kozák

**Leading scorer:** all-time – Róbert Vittek (23); current – Róbert Vittek (23)

**Most appearances:** all-time – Miroslav Karhan (107); current – Marek Hamšík (83)

**Association formed:** 1938

**Nickname:** None

**Where they play:** Various

Eight of the 11 Czechoslovakian players who started the 1976 UEFA European Championship final against West Germany – and triumphed on penalties after a 2-2 draw – hailed from Slovakia, but the country took time to find its feet since it began competing as an independent state. Glory did arrive, however, in the 2010 FIFA World Cup, Vladimír Weiss's team not only topping their qualifying group but also knocking out holders Italy with a momentous 3-2 win at the final tournament in South Africa. Slovakia then broke their UEFA European Championship qualifying duck to reach the 2016 finals in France under coach Ján Kozák thanks largely to seven straight wins at the start of their campaign.

**EURO pedigree**
**Matches played**

**Overall:** P124 W62 D26 L36 F213 A135

**Final tournament:** P8 W3 D3 L2 F12 A10

**Qualifying:** P116 W59 D23 L34 F201 A125

Slovakia's first three attempts to qualify for a UEFA European Championship each ended in a third-placed finish, their steady progress undermined by home defeats against Romania (twice), Portugal, England and Turkey. That trend of losing on their own turf continued in the UEFA EURO 2008 series when the Czech Republic (0-3), Germany (1-4) and Wales (2-5) inflicted heavy reverses.

Weiss's charges were brimming with confidence in UEFA EURO 2012 qualifying, though, when they recorded back-to-back 1-0 victories against the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Russia. However, failure to score more than once in each of their ten matches, coupled with a 4-0 defeat at home to Armenia, put the brakes on an ultimately disappointing campaign – but success was to follow four years later, the highlight of their campaign a home win against holders Spain.

**Memorable EURO matches**
**09/10/14: Slovakia 2-1 Spain**

Goals from Jurak Kucka (17) and Miroslav Stoch (82) ended the holders' 36-match, eight-year unbeaten qualifying run.

**07/09/10: Russia 0-1 Slovakia, UEFA EURO 2012 qualifying**

A Miroslav Stoch goal gave Vladimír Weiss's men a memorable victory against the eventual group winners.

**20/06/76: Czechoslovakia 2-2 West Germany, 5-3 on pens, 1976 UEFA European Championship final**

Prague-born Antonín Panenka's penalty earned the title for a side dominated by Slovak players.

**Did you know?**

Jozef Čapkovič – a member of Czechoslovakia's successful 1976 squad – won the European Cup Winners' Cup in 1969 alongside his twin, Ján, while at ŠK Slovan Bratislava. The brothers, however, never played together for the national side.

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## Slovakia - Coach profile

### Ján Kozák

**Date of birth:** 17 April 1954

**Nationality:** Slovak

**Playing career:** LB Spišská Nová Ves, Lokomotíva Košice (three times), RFC Seraing, FK Dukla Praha

**Coaching career:** Lokomotíva Košice, MFK Zemplín Michalovce, FC Steel Trans Ličartovce, 1. FC Košice, Slovakia

- A creative midfielder, Kozák spent much of his playing career with local team Lokomotíva Košice, where he had three spells. He returned for the first time in 1982 at the conclusion of his military service in Prague, where he turned out for Dukla.
- A member of the Czechoslovakia squad that finished third at the 1980 UEFA European Championship, beating Italy 9-8 on penalties in the bronze-medal match, he scored nine goals in 55 international appearances. Kozák also travelled to the 1982 FIFA World Cup in Spain but did not feature due to injury.
- Won the Czechoslovak Cup three times and the 1982 league championship with Dukla before retiring in 1990. Moved into coaching several years later and proved an instant success, steering 1. FC Košice to successive titles (1997, 1998) and into the 1997/98 UEFA Champions League where, as Slovakia's first ever group stage representative, they lost all six games in a section containing Feyenoord, Juventus and Manchester United FC.
- Left Košice in 1998 but came back for further stints in 2005 and 2012. He stood down in summer 2013, succeeding Stanislav Griga and Michal Hipp as coach of Slovakia on a two-year contract, and led the team to UEFA EURO 2016 as Group C runners-up behind holders Spain.
- His son Ján Kozák Jr played in the 2005/06 UEFA Champions League group stage for MFK Petržalka, equalising and then creating the winner in a famous 3-2 comeback victory over FC Porto; grandson Filip Lesniak has been at Tottenham Hotspur FC since 2012.

## Slovakia - Team facts

### EURO record

	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
Overall	124	62	26	36	213	135
Final tournament	8	3	3	2	12	10
Qualifying	116	59	23	34	201	125

### UEFA European Championship records: Slovakia

#### History

2012 – did not qualify  
 2008 – did not qualify  
 2004 – did not qualify  
 2000 – did not qualify  
 1996 – did not qualify  
 1992 – did not qualify (as Czechoslovakia)  
 1988 – did not qualify (as Czechoslovakia)  
 1984 – did not qualify (as Czechoslovakia)  
 1980 – third place (as Czechoslovakia)  
 1976 – winners (as Czechoslovakia)  
 1972 – did not qualify (as Czechoslovakia)  
 1968 – did not qualify (as Czechoslovakia)  
 1964 – did not qualify (as Czechoslovakia)  
 1960 – third place (as Czechoslovakia)

#### Final tournament win

**1-3:** Greece v Czechoslovakia, 14/06/80  
**3-1:** Czechoslovakia v Netherlands, 16/06/76 (aet)  
**2-0:** Czechoslovakia v France, 09/07/60

#### Final tournament defeat

**0-3:** Czechoslovakia v USSR, 06/07/60

#### Qualifying win

**7-0:** Slovakia v San Marino, 13/10/07

#### Qualifying loss

**5-0:** Poland v Slovakia, 07/06/95

#### Final tournament appearances

**6:** Koloman Gögh (for Czechoslovakia)  
**6:** Marián Masný (for Czechoslovakia)  
**6:** Zdeněk Nehoda (for Czechoslovakia)  
**6:** Anton Ondruš (for Czechoslovakia)  
**6:** Antonín Panenka (for Czechoslovakia)  
**6:** Ladislav Jurkemik (for Czechoslovakia)  
**4:** Ladislav Vízek (for Czechoslovakia)

#### Final tournament goals

**3:** Zdeněk Nehoda (for Czechoslovakia)  
**1:** Vlastimil Bubník (for Czechoslovakia)  
**1:** Karol Dobiaš (for Czechoslovakia)  
**1:** Anton Ondruš (for Czechoslovakia)  
**1:** Antonín Panenka (for Czechoslovakia)  
**1:** Ladislav Pavlovič (for Czechoslovakia)  
**1:** František Veselý (for Czechoslovakia)  
**1:** Ladislav Vízek (for Czechoslovakia)  
**1:** Ján Švehlík (for Czechoslovakia)  
**1:** Ladislav Jurkemik (for Czechoslovakia)

#### Overall appearances

**26:** Miroslav Karhan  
**26:** Marek Hamšík

**23:** Martin Škrtel  
**22:** Filip Hološko  
**20:** Ján Ďurica  
**20:** Miroslav Kadlec (for Czechoslovakia)  
**20:** Anton Ondruš (for Czechoslovakia)  
**19:** Marián Masný (for Czechoslovakia)  
**18:** Dušan Tittel  
**18:** Zdeněk Nehoda (for Czechoslovakia)  
**17:** Ladislav Jurkemik  
**17:** Koloman Gögh (for Czechoslovakia)  
**17:** Juraj Kucka  
**16:** Peter Dubovský  
**16:** Ladislav Vízek (for Czechoslovakia)  
**16:** Tomáš Hubočan

#### Overall goals

**9:** Zdeněk Nehoda (for Czechoslovakia)  
**7:** Marek Hamšík  
**7:** Marián Masný (for Czechoslovakia)  
**7:** Antonín Panenka (for Czechoslovakia)  
**7:** Ladislav Vízek (for Czechoslovakia)  
**6:** Marek Mintál  
**5:** Peter Dubovský  
**5:** Szilárd Németh  
**5:** Titus Buberník (for Czechoslovakia)

#### UEFA EURO and FIFA World Cup campaigns

Season	Competition	Result	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
2016	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	10	7	1	2	17	8
2014	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	10	3	4	3	11	10
2012	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 4th in group	10	4	3	3	7	10
2010	World Cup finals	Round of 16	4	1	1	2	5	7
2010	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	10	7	1	2	22	10
2008	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 4th in group	12	5	1	6	33	23
2006	World Cup qualifying	Play-off for Final Tournament	14	6	6	2	26	14
2004	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	8	3	1	4	11	9
2002	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	10	5	2	3	16	9
2000	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 3rd in group	10	5	2	3	12	9
1998	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 4th in group	10	5	1	4	18	14
1996	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 3rd in group	10	4	2	4	14	18
1994	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	10	4	5	1	21	9
1992	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 2nd in group	8	5	0	3	12	9
1990	World Cup finals	Quarter-finals	5	3	0	2	10	5
1990	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group (qualified)	8	5	2	1	13	3
1988	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 2nd in group	6	2	3	1	7	5
1986	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 4th in group	8	3	2	3	11	12
1984	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 3rd in group	8	3	4	1	15	7
1982	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	3	0	2	1	2	4
1982	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group (qualified)	8	4	2	2	15	6
1980	EURO finals	3rd place	4	1	2	1	5	4
1980	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 1st in group (qualified)	6	5	0	1	17	4
1978	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	4	2	0	2	4	6
1976	EURO finals	Winner	2	1	1	0	5	3

**UEFA EURO and FIFA World Cup campaigns**

1976	EURO qualifying	Quarter-finals (qualified)	8	5	2	1	19	7
1974	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	4	2	1	1	9	3
1972	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 2nd in group	6	4	1	1	11	4
1970	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 4th in group	3	0	0	3	2	7
1970	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	7	5	1	1	16	7
1968	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 2nd in group	6	3	1	2	8	4
1966	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	6	3	1	2	12	4
1964	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round	2	0	1	1	2	3
1962	World Cup finals	Final	6	3	1	2	7	7
1962	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	5	4	0	1	20	7
1960	EURO finals	3rd place	2	1	0	1	2	3
1960	EURO qualifying	Quarter-finals (qualified)	6	4	1	1	16	5
1958	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	4	1	1	2	9	6
1958	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	4	3	0	1	9	3
1954	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	2	0	0	2	0	7
1954	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	4	3	1	0	5	1
1938	World Cup finals	Quarter-finals	3	1	1	1	5	3
1938	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	2	1	1	0	7	1
1934	World Cup finals	Final	4	3	0	1	9	6
1934	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	1	1	0	0	2	1

## Slovakia - Head to head against teams in other pots

### Slovakia v Albania

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
16/10/1991	UEFA EURO	Olomouc (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Albania	2 - 1
01/05/1991	UEFA EURO	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Czechoslovakia	0 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	2	0	0	4	1
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	3	1	0	2	6	5

- Albania and Slovakia have never met.

### Slovakia v Austria

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
15/06/1990	FIFA World Cup	Florence (ITA)	Austria - Czechoslovakia	0 - 1
19/06/1954	FIFA World Cup	Zurich (SUI)	Austria - Czechoslovakia	5 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	2	1	0	1	1	5
Friendlies	35	16	11	8	66	48

- The central European neighbours have never met in a competitive fixture.
- There is nothing to choose between the two countries after three friendly encounters, with one win apiece and one draw. Slovakia were the victors in the most recent engagement, beating their hosts 2-1 in Klagenfurt in August 2011.
- The capital cities of the two countries, Vienna and Bratislava, are just 55km apart – the shortest distance between any two European capitals.

### Slovakia v Belgium

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
17/11/1993	FIFA World Cup	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Czechoslovakia	0 - 0
02/09/1992	FIFA World Cup	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Belgium	1 - 2
29/04/1989	FIFA World Cup	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Czechoslovakia	2 - 1
16/11/1988	FIFA World Cup	Bratislava (SVK)	Czechoslovakia - Belgium	0 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	4	0	2	2	2	4
Friendlies	8	5	2	1	21	11

- The nations have yet to meet in a competitive international.
- The first two friendly games ended 1-1. The third, in Bruges in February 2013, looked set to finish the same way when Eden Hazard's early penalty was equalised late on by Slovakian debutant Richard Lásik, only for Dries Mertens to snatch victory for the hosts in the last minute.

**Slovakia v Croatia**

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	13	2	3	8	17	33

- The nations have yet to meet in a competitive international.
- Since the countries regained independence there have been six friendly encounters, each team winning twice and two draws.
- The most recent of those fixtures took place in August 2010 in Bratislava, a 1-1 draw. Miroslav Stoch opened the scoring for the hosts before Nikica Jelavić equalised for Croatia.

**Slovakia v England****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
11/06/2003	UEFA EURO	Middlesbrough (ENG)	England - Slovakia	2 - 1
12/10/2002	UEFA EURO	Bratislava (SVK)	Slovakia - England	1 - 2
20/06/1982	FIFA World Cup	Bilbao (ESP)	England - Czechoslovakia	2 - 0
30/10/1975	UEFA EURO	Bratislava (SVK)	Czechoslovakia - England	2 - 1
30/10/1974	UEFA EURO	London (ENG)	England - Czechoslovakia	3 - 0
11/06/1970	FIFA World Cup	Guadalajara (MEX)	England - Czechoslovakia	1 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	1	0	3	4	8
World Cup	2	0	0	2	0	3
Friendlies	9	1	3	5	13	22

- England overcame Slovakia 2-1 in Bratislava and Middlesbrough en route to qualifying for the UEFA EURO 2004 finals. Those were the first matches between the nations.
- The only subsequent meeting took place at Wembley in March 2009, when England cruised to a 4-0 friendly win with two-goal Wayne Rooney among the scorers.
- England and Slovakia have been paired together in qualifying for the 2018 FIFA World Cup along with Scotland, Slovenia, Lithuania and Malta.
- Slovakia centre-back Martin Škrtel has been at Liverpool since January 2008.

**Slovakia v France****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
26/04/1995	UEFA EURO	Nantes (FRA)	France - Slovakia	4 - 0
07/09/1994	UEFA EURO	Bratislava (SVK)	Slovakia - France	0 - 0
04/09/1991	UEFA EURO	Bratislava (SVK)	Czechoslovakia - France	1 - 2
13/10/1990	UEFA EURO	Paris (FRA)	France - Czechoslovakia	2 - 1
24/06/1982	FIFA World Cup	Valladolid (ESP)	France - Czechoslovakia	1 - 1
17/11/1979	UEFA EURO	Paris (FRA)	France - Czechoslovakia	2 - 1
04/04/1979	UEFA EURO	Bratislava (SVK)	Czechoslovakia - France	2 - 0
09/07/1960	UEFA EURO	Marseille (FRA)	Czechoslovakia - France	2 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	7	2	1	4	7	10
World Cup	1	0	1	0	1	1
Friendlies	15	7	3	5	24	23

- France drew 0-0 with Slovakia in Bratislava before defeating them 4-0 in Nantes to qualify for EURO '96. These are the only competitive matches between the two nations.
- Slovakia claimed a surprise 2-1 win in a Stade de France friendly in March 2006, but Les Bleus returned the favour the following year when Thierry Henry scored the lone goal in a 1-0 victory in Trnava – his 40th for France.
- Slovakia's Martin Škrtel and France's Mamadou Sakho are central defensive partners for Liverpool.

**Slovakia v Germany****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
06/06/2007	UEFA EURO	Hamburg (GER)	Germany - Slovakia	2 - 1
11/10/2006	UEFA EURO	Bratislava (SVK)	Slovakia - Germany	1 - 4
01/07/1990	FIFA World Cup	Milan (ITA)	Czechoslovakia - Germany	0 - 1
17/11/1985	FIFA World Cup	Munich (GER)	Germany - Czechoslovakia	2 - 2
30/04/1985	FIFA World Cup	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Germany	1 - 5
11/06/1980	UEFA EURO	Rome (ITA)	Czechoslovakia - Germany	0 - 1
20/06/1976	UEFA EURO	Belgrade (SRB)	Czechoslovakia - Germany	2 - 2 (5-3p)
11/06/1958	FIFA World Cup	Helsinki (FIN)	Germany - Czechoslovakia	2 - 2
03/06/1934	FIFA World Cup	Rome (ITA)	Czechoslovakia - Germany	3 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	0	1	3	4	9
World Cup	5	1	2	2	8	11
Friendlies	17	4	1	12	21	37

- Germany overcame Slovakia home and away in qualifying for UEFA EURO 2008. A 4-1 win in Bratislava – in which Lukas Podolski scored twice and Bastian Schweinsteiger once – preceded a 2-1 victory in Hamburg.
- Those are the countries' only two competitive matches. Each has beaten the other 2-0 at home in friendlies, Miroslav Karhan's double against Jürgen Klinsmann's Germany in September 2005 bringing Slovakia one of their more memorable victories.
- Slovakian internationals Peter Pekarík (Hertha Berlin) and Dušan Švento (Köln) play in the German Bundesliga.

**Slovakia v Iceland****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
05/06/1991	UEFA EURO	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Czechoslovakia	0 - 1
26/09/1990	UEFA EURO	Košice (SVK)	Czechoslovakia - Iceland	1 - 0
23/09/1981	FIFA World Cup	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Czechoslovakia	1 - 1
27/05/1981	FIFA World Cup	Bratislava (SVK)	Czechoslovakia - Iceland	6 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	2	0	0	2	0
World Cup	2	1	1	0	7	2
Friendlies	6	4	1	1	12	7

- Yet to meet in a competitive match, Iceland and Slovakia have faced each other four times in friendlies, most recently in August 2009 when they drew 1-1 in Reykjavik.
- Slovakia coach Ján Kozák was a goalscorer in the Czechoslovakia team that defeated Iceland 6-1 in Bratislava in a 1982 FIFA World Cup qualifier.

**Slovakia v Italy****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
24/06/2010	FIFA World Cup	Johannesburg (RSA)	Slovakia - Italy	3 - 2
19/06/1990	FIFA World Cup	Rome (ITA)	Italy - Czechoslovakia	2 - 0
16/11/1983	UEFA EURO	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Italy	2 - 0
13/11/1982	UEFA EURO	Milan (ITA)	Italy - Czechoslovakia	2 - 2
21/06/1980	UEFA EURO	Naples (ITA)	Czechoslovakia - Italy	1 - 1 (9-8p)
10/06/1934	FIFA World Cup	Rome (ITA)	Italy - Czechoslovakia	2 - 1 (aet)

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	3	1	2	0	5	3
World Cup	3	1	0	2	4	6
Friendlies	22	7	7	8	32	35

- Slovakia knocked holders Italy out of the 2010 FIFA World Cup – and progressed to the knockout phase – with a thrilling 3-2 victory in Johannesburg. The country's record marksman Róbert Vittek scored twice in what is widely regarded as the nation's greatest sporting triumph.
- That game was the 136th and final match in an Azzurri shirt for 2006 World Cup-winning captain Fabio Cannavaro – an appearance record that has since been broken by Gianluigi Buffon.
- Marek Hamšík, who captained Slovakia in that World Cup win, plays now, as he did then, for Serie A club Napoli. Juraj Kucka, another member of the team that beat Marcello Lippi's side in Johannesburg, is with AC Milan.



**Slovakia v Northern Ireland****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
09/09/2009	FIFA World Cup	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Slovakia	0 - 2
06/09/2008	FIFA World Cup	Bratislava (SVK)	Slovakia - Northern Ireland	2 - 1
17/06/1958	FIFA World Cup	Malmö (SWE)	Northern Ireland - Czechoslovakia	2 - 1 (aet)
08/06/1958	FIFA World Cup	Halmstad (SWE)	Northern Ireland - Czechoslovakia	1 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	4	2	0	2	5	4
Friendlies	1	0	0	1	0	1

• Northern Ireland won the first encounter between the nations – a Belfast friendly in March 1998 (1-0) – but Slovakia claimed maximum points when the teams met in qualifying for the 2010 FIFA World Cup.

• A 2-1 victory in Bratislava, thanks to goals from Martin Škrtel and Marek Hamšík, was followed by a 2-0 success at Windsor Park, with Stanislav Sesták and Filip Hološko on target. Vladimír Weiss's team qualified as group winners for the finals in South Africa.

**Slovakia v Portugal****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
04/06/2005	FIFA World Cup	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Slovakia	2 - 0
30/03/2005	FIFA World Cup	Bratislava (SVK)	Slovakia - Portugal	1 - 1
05/06/1999	UEFA EURO	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Slovakia	1 - 0
14/10/1998	UEFA EURO	Bratislava (SVK)	Slovakia - Portugal	0 - 3
15/11/1989	FIFA World Cup	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Czechoslovakia	0 - 0
06/10/1989	FIFA World Cup	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Portugal	2 - 1
25/09/1985	FIFA World Cup	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Portugal	1 - 0
14/10/1984	FIFA World Cup	Porto (POR)	Portugal - Czechoslovakia	2 - 1
12/11/1975	UEFA EURO	Porto (POR)	Portugal - Czechoslovakia	1 - 1
30/04/1975	UEFA EURO	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Portugal	5 - 0
31/10/1965	FIFA World Cup	Porto (POR)	Portugal - Czechoslovakia	0 - 0
25/04/1965	FIFA World Cup	Bratislava (SVK)	Czechoslovakia - Portugal	0 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	1	1	2	6	5
World Cup	8	2	3	3	5	7
Friendlies	1	0	0	1	0	1

• Portugal are unbeaten in four matches against Slovakia, winning three.

• Portugal did the double over Slovakia in qualifying for UEFA EURO 2000, winning 3-0 in Bratislava and 1-0 in Lisbon.

• Slovakia earned a 1-1 home draw in the 2006 FIFA World Cup qualifiers but lost the Lisbon return 2-0 in Lisbon, Cristiano Ronaldo scoring Portugal's second goal.

**Slovakia v Republic of Ireland****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
02/09/2011	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Slovakia	0 - 0
12/10/2010	UEFA EURO	Zilina (SVK)	Slovakia - Republic of Ireland	1 - 1
08/09/2007	UEFA EURO	Bratislava (SVK)	Slovakia - Republic of Ireland	2 - 2
28/03/2007	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Slovakia	1 - 0
07/10/1969	FIFA World Cup	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Republic of Ireland	3 - 0
04/05/1969	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Czechoslovakia	1 - 2
22/11/1967	UEFA EURO	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Republic of Ireland	1 - 2
21/05/1967	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Czechoslovakia	0 - 2
29/10/1961	FIFA World Cup	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Republic of Ireland	7 - 1
08/10/1961	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Czechoslovakia	1 - 3
10/05/1959	UEFA EURO	Bratislava (SVK)	Czechoslovakia - Republic of Ireland	4 - 0 (agg: 4-2)
05/04/1959	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Czechoslovakia	2 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	8	2	3	3	10	8
World Cup	4	4	0	0	15	3
Friendlies	4	1	1	2	7	7

- The countries met in successive UEFA European Championship qualifying campaigns, for 2008 and 2012.
- Three of those four matches ended in draws, the exception being the first game in March 2007, which the Republic of Ireland won 1-0 in Dublin with a Kevin Doyle strike.
- Miroslav Karhan became the first Slovakian player to reach 100 caps in the 1-1 draw at home to Ireland in October 2010.

**Slovakia v Russia****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
07/10/2011	UEFA EURO	Zilina (SVK)	Slovakia - Russia	0 - 1
07/09/2010	UEFA EURO	Moscow (RUS)	Russia - Slovakia	0 - 1
12/10/2005	FIFA World Cup	Bratislava (SVK)	Slovakia - Russia	0 - 0
04/09/2004	FIFA World Cup	Moscow (RUS)	Russia - Slovakia	1 - 1
29/11/1981	FIFA World Cup	Bratislava (SVK)	Czechoslovakia - USSR	1 - 1
28/10/1981	FIFA World Cup	Tbilisi (GEO)	USSR - Czechoslovakia	2 - 0
22/05/1976	UEFA EURO	Kyiv (UKR)	USSR - Czechoslovakia	2 - 2 (agg: 2-4)
24/04/1976	UEFA EURO	Bratislava (SVK)	Czechoslovakia - USSR	2 - 0
06/07/1960	UEFA EURO	Marseille (FRA)	Czechoslovakia - USSR	0 - 3

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	5	2	1	2	5	6
World Cup	4	0	3	1	2	4
Friendlies	11	2	3	6	11	18

- The nations met in UEFA EURO 2012 qualifying, each losing 1-0 at home. Miroslav Stoch was on target for Slovakia in Moscow; Alan Dzagoev scored Russia's winner in Zilina.
- There had been nothing to choose between the teams either in the 2006 FIFA World Cup qualifiers, a 1-1 draw in Moscow followed by a goalless stalemate in Bratislava.
- Aleksandr Kerzhakov scored the only goal, his 25th for Russia, in the most recent encounter – a St Petersburg friendly in May 2014.

**Slovakia v Spain****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
05/09/2015	UEFA EURO	Oviedo (ESP)	Spain - Slovakia	2 - 0
09/10/2014	UEFA EURO	Zilina (SVK)	Slovakia - Spain	2 - 1
16/11/2005	FIFA World Cup	Bratislava (SVK)	Slovakia - Spain	1 - 1 (agg: 2-6)
12/11/2005	FIFA World Cup	Madrid (ESP)	Spain - Slovakia	5 - 1
24/09/1997	FIFA World Cup	Bratislava (SVK)	Slovakia - Spain	1 - 2
13/11/1996	FIFA World Cup	Santa Cruz de Tenerife (ESP)	Spain - Slovakia	4 - 1
13/11/1991	UEFA EURO	Seville (ESP)	Spain - Czechoslovakia	2 - 1
14/11/1990	UEFA EURO	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Spain	3 - 2
22/10/1967	UEFA EURO	Madrid (ESP)	Spain - Czechoslovakia	2 - 1
01/10/1967	UEFA EURO	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Spain	1 - 0
31/05/1962	FIFA World Cup	Vina Del Mar (CHI)	Czechoslovakia - Spain	1 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	6	3	0	3	8	9
World Cup	5	1	1	3	5	12
Friendlies	7	4	1	2	8	5

- Slovakia caused one of the shocks of UEFA EURO 2016 qualifying by defeating Spain 2-1 in Zilina thanks to Miroslav Stoch's late winner, ending the holders' 35-match, nine-year unbeaten run in qualifiers. Spain won all of their other nine fixtures, including the return in Oviedo 2-0 after goals from Jordi Alba and Andrés Iniesta, to top the group.

- The teams had previously played four FIFA World Cup qualifiers, Spain winning three of them but failing to keep a clean sheet.
- Luis García scored a hat-trick – his first international goals – in Spain's 5-1 victory over Slovakia in November 2005. He scored just once more in his 18 internationals.

### Slovakia v Switzerland

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
25/10/1989	FIFA World Cup	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Switzerland	3 - 0
07/06/1989	FIFA World Cup	Berne (SUI)	Switzerland - Czechoslovakia	0 - 1
31/05/1934	FIFA World Cup	Rome (ITA)	Czechoslovakia - Switzerland	3 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	3	3	0	0	7	2
Friendlies	25	13	5	7	54	38

- Yet to meet in a competitive international, the countries have arranged three friendlies, the home side winning on each occasion.
- Their most recent meeting was in November 2015, when Ján Kozák's Slovakia team overcame Vladimir Petrovič's side 3-2 in Trnava. The home side were 3-0 up, after a double from Michal Ďuriš and a third from Róbert Mak, before the visitors reduced the deficit through Eren Derdiyok and Josip Drmic.
- Slovakia defender Peter Pekarík and Switzerland midfielder Valentin Stocker play together in the German Bundesliga at Hertha Berlin.

### Slovakia v Turkey

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
07/06/2003	UEFA EURO	Bratislava (SVK)	Slovakia - Turkey	0 - 1
07/09/2002	UEFA EURO	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Slovakia	3 - 0
01/09/2001	FIFA World Cup	Bratislava (SVK)	Slovakia - Turkey	0 - 1
24/03/2001	FIFA World Cup	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Slovakia	1 - 1
15/04/1981	FIFA World Cup	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Czechoslovakia	0 - 3
03/12/1980	FIFA World Cup	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Turkey	2 - 0
15/11/1967	UEFA EURO	Ankara (TUR)	Turkey - Czechoslovakia	0 - 0
18/06/1967	UEFA EURO	Bratislava (SVK)	Czechoslovakia - Turkey	3 - 0
21/11/1965	FIFA World Cup	Brno (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Turkey	3 - 1
09/10/1965	FIFA World Cup	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Czechoslovakia	0 - 6

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	1	1	2	3	4
World Cup	6	4	1	1	15	3
Friendlies	5	2	1	2	4	4

- The countries were paired in successive qualifying tournaments at the start of the 21st century. Turkey took four points off Slovakia en route to qualifying for the 2002 FIFA World Cup and all six on the road to UEFA EURO 2004, but missed out on the latter tournament after a surprise play-off defeat by Latvia.
- Slovakia finally beat Turkey at the sixth time of asking when they won a Bursa friendly in February 2012, wingers Vladimír Weiss and Miroslav Stoch scoring the visitors' goals.
- Stoch has since returned to Bursa to play for Turkish Süper Lig club Bursaspor.

**Slovakia v Ukraine****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
08/09/2015	UEFA EURO	Zilina (SVK)	Slovakia - Ukraine	0 - 0
08/09/2014	UEFA EURO	Kyiv (UKR)	Ukraine - Slovakia	0 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	1	1	0	1	0
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	3	0	2	1	4	5

- Slovakia overcame Ukraine 1-0 in Moscow in their opening UEFA EURO 2016 qualifier, Róbert Mak scoring the only goal.
- A 0-0 draw in the return fixture proved equally crucial in taking Slovakia to their first EURO finals and helping to send Ukraine into the play-offs.
- Those were the first competitive fixtures between the nations, the three previous friendlies having yielded two 1-1 draws and a 3-2 win for Ukraine in neutral Cyprus.

**Slovakia v Wales****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
12/09/2007	UEFA EURO	Trnava (SVK)	Slovakia - Wales	2 - 5
07/10/2006	UEFA EURO	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Slovakia	1 - 5
08/09/1993	FIFA World Cup	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Czechoslovakia	2 - 2
28/04/1993	FIFA World Cup	Ostrava (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Wales	1 - 1
11/11/1987	UEFA EURO	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Wales	2 - 0
29/04/1987	UEFA EURO	Wrexham (WAL)	Wales - Czechoslovakia	1 - 1
09/09/1981	FIFA World Cup	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Wales	2 - 0
19/11/1980	FIFA World Cup	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Czechoslovakia	1 - 0
16/11/1977	FIFA World Cup	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Wales	1 - 0
30/03/1977	FIFA World Cup	Wrexham (WAL)	Wales - Czechoslovakia	3 - 0
27/10/1971	UEFA EURO	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Wales	1 - 0
21/04/1971	UEFA EURO	Swansea (WAL)	Wales - Czechoslovakia	1 - 3
26/05/1957	FIFA World Cup	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Wales	2 - 0
01/05/1957	FIFA World Cup	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Czechoslovakia	1 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	6	4	1	1	14	8
World Cup	8	3	2	3	8	8
Friendlies	-	-	-	-	-	-

- The only fixtures played between the nations came in qualifying for UEFA EURO 2008 and produced two unlikely scorelines.
- Gareth Bale scored his first goal for Wales in the first meeting, in Cardiff, but Slovakia managed five, Dušan Švento getting the first and Róbert Vittek the fifth. The return fixture brought revenge for John Toshack's Wales as they claimed a 5-2 win in Trnava, Craig Bellamy scoring twice.

◆◆◆ Slovakia's Martin Škrtel and Wales midfielder Joe Allen are team-mates at Liverpool.

## Hungary

### Hungary - Team profile

**Best result:** third place 1964

**Coach:** Bernd Storck

**Leading scorers:** all-time – Ferenc Puskás (84); current – Zoltán Gera (24)

**Most appearances:** all-time – József Bozsik (101); current – Gábor Király (100)

**Association formed:** 1901

**Nickname:** Mighty Magyars

**Where they play:** Groupama Aréna, Budapest

Once giants of European and world football, finishing runners-up in the FIFA World Cups of 1938 and 1954 and claiming three Olympic titles, Hungary failed to qualify for 14 successive major tournaments after reaching the 1986 World Cup but ended that miserable run by making it through to UEFA EURO 2016 via the play-offs.

The golden age of Ferenc Puskás, József Bozsik, Sándor Kocsis and the rest of the Mighty Magyars, who reigned supreme in the 1950s, is a distant memory; Hungary finished third and fourth respectively in the UEFA European Championships of 1964 and 1972 but have not featured since.

#### EURO pedigree

##### Matches played

**Overall:** P125 W53 D26 L46 F202 A167

**Final tournament:** P4 W1 D0 L3 F5 A6

**Qualifying:** P121 W52 D26 L43 F197 A161

Flórián Albert inspired Hungary as they finished third in 1964 and fourth in 1972. In 1964 they overcame Wales, East Germany and France before suffering a 2-1 extra-time semi-final defeat by Spain. Three days later Hungary prevailed 3-1 in extra time in the third-place play-off with Denmark, Dezső Novák scoring twice. In 1972 they overcame Romania in a quarter-final replay, but a late penalty miss by Sándor Zábó confirmed defeat against the USSR and this time the third-place play-off ended in a 2-1 reverse to hosts Belgium.

Hungary's next ten qualifying campaigns were unsuccessful, though under Sándor Egervári they finished a creditable third behind the Netherlands and Sweden in their UEFA EURO 2012 section. The highlight came in the home fixture against Sweden when Gergely Rudolf's 90th-minute goal earned a 2-1 victory. It was Hungary's first competitive win against a team above them in the FIFA world rankings this century.

#### Memorable EURO matches

##### 15/11/2015: Hungary 2-1 Norway, UEFA EURO 2016 qualifying

Hungary ended their 30-year wait for a major tournament appearance with this play-off second-leg win, qualifying 3-1 on aggregate.

##### 17/05/1972: Hungary 2-1 Romania, 1972 UEFA European Championship quarter-final replay

Hungary sealed a semi-final spot in Belgrade after home and away draws with Romania.

##### 25/04/1964: France 1-3 Hungary, 1964 UEFA European Championship quarter-finals

A comprehensive win in Paris set up Hungary perfectly for the home leg in Budapest.

#### Did you know?

Hungary often play at a stadium named after their most celebrated player, Ferenc Puskás; the press outside Hungary nicknamed the forward 'The Galloping Major' since, like all his Budapest Honvéd FC club-mates, he was technically a soldier.

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## Hungary - Coach profile

### Bernd Storck

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**Playing career:** VfL Bochum 1848, Borussia Dortmund

**Coaching career:** VfB Stuttgart (assistant), Hertha BSC Berlin (assistant), VfL Wolfsburg (assistant), FK Partizan (assistant), Borussia Dortmund (assistant), FC Almaty, Kazakhstan Under-21s, Kazakhstan, Olympiacos FC (youth), Hungary Under-20s, Hungary

- Made his Bundesliga debut for Bochum at the age of 19 and spent two seasons at the club before joining local rivals Dortmund in 1983. A regular in the Dortmund defence for the next six seasons, he helped the club to victory in the German Cup in his final campaign, 1988/89; ended his playing career with eight goals in 171 Bundesliga appearances.
- Joined forces with leading German coach Jürgen Röber and acted as his assistant at Stuttgart, Hertha, Wolfsburg, Partizan and Dortmund. Moved abroad midway through 2008 to take charge of Kazakh top-flight club Almaty; was also appointed simultaneously as the Kazakhstan U21 coach.
- Named the Kazakhstan senior team's interim coach following the dismissal of Dutchman Arno Pijpers in autumn 2008. His first game in charge was a 5-1 defeat by England at Wembley in a 2010 FIFA World Cup qualifier, but he was subsequently installed as the permanent head coach.
- However, Storck was sacked in October 2010 after presiding over four losses at the start of UEFA EURO 2012 qualifying and resurfaced at Olympiacos' youth team, taking charge for the inaugural UEFA Youth League group stage in 2013/14.
- In July 2015 he took charge of Hungary, having led the national side at the FIFA U-20 World Cup in New Zealand the previous month, and promptly ended their 44-year absence from the UEFA European Championship thanks to a play-off defeat of Norway.

## Hungary - Team facts

### EURO record

	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
Overall	125	53	26	46	202	167
Final tournament	4	1	0	3	5	6
Qualifying	121	52	26	43	197	161

### UEFA European Championship records: Hungary

#### History

2012 – did not qualify  
 2008 – did not qualify  
 2004 – did not qualify  
 2000 – did not qualify  
 1996 – did not qualify  
 1992 – did not qualify  
 1988 – did not qualify  
 1984 – did not qualify  
 1980 – did not qualify  
 1976 – did not qualify  
 1972 – fourth place  
 1968 – did not qualify  
 1964 – third place  
 1960 – did not qualify

#### Final tournament win

**3-1:** Hungary v Denmark, 20/06/64, third-place play-off

#### Final tournament defeat

**1-2:** twice, most recently Hungary v Belgium, 17/06/72, third-place play-off  
**0-1:** Hungary 0-1 USSR, 14/06/72, semi-finals

#### Qualifying win

**8-0:** Hungary v San Marino, 08/10/10

#### Qualifying loss

**4-0:** Hungary v Netherlands, 25/03/11  
**4-0:** Norway v Hungary, 06/06/07

#### Final tournament appearances

**4:** Flórián Albert  
**3:** Ferenc Bene  
**2:** 13 players

#### Final tournament goals

**2:** Ferenc Bene  
**2:** Dezső Novák  
**1:** Lajos Kú

#### Overall appearances

**39:** Gábor Király  
**31:** Zoltán Gera  
**29:** Roland Juhász  
**25:** Balázs Dzsudzsák  
**22:** Ferenc Bene  
**20:** Tamás Priskin  
**20:** Vilmos Vanczák  
**19:** Flórián Albert  
**19:** Pál Dárdai

#### Overall goals

**12:** Zoltán Gera  
**11:** Ferenc Bene  
**11:** Tibor Nyilasi



8: József Kiprich  
 6: János Farkas  
 6: Gergely Rudolf  
 6: Imre Szabics

## UEFA EURO and FIFA World Cup campaigns

Season	Competition	Result	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
2016	EURO qualifying	Play-off for Final Tournament	12	6	4	2	14	10
2014	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	10	5	2	3	21	20
2012	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	10	6	1	3	22	14
2010	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 4th in group	10	5	1	4	10	8
2008	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 6th in group	12	4	0	8	11	22
2006	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 4th in group	10	4	2	4	13	14
2004	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 4th in group	8	3	2	3	15	9
2002	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 4th in group	8	2	2	4	14	13
2000	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 4th in group	10	3	3	4	14	10
1998	World Cup qualifying	Play-off for Final Tournament	10	3	3	4	11	20
1996	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 4th in group	8	2	2	4	7	13
1994	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 4th in group	8	2	1	5	6	11
1992	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 4th in group	8	2	4	2	10	9
1990	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	8	2	4	2	8	12
1988	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 3rd in group	8	4	0	4	13	11
1986	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	3	1	0	2	2	9
1986	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	6	5	0	1	12	4
1984	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 4th in group	8	3	1	4	18	17
1982	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	3	1	1	1	12	6
1982	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	8	4	2	2	13	8
1980	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 2nd in group	6	2	2	2	9	9
1978	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 4th in group	3	0	0	3	3	8
1978	World Cup qualifying	Play-off for Final Tournament (qualified)	6	4	1	1	15	6
1976	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 2nd in group	6	3	1	2	15	8
1974	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	6	2	4	0	12	7
1972	EURO finals	4th place	2	0	0	2	1	3
1972	EURO qualifying	Quarter-finals Replay (qualified)	9	5	3	1	17	9
1970	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group	7	4	1	2	17	11
1968	EURO qualifying	Quarter-finals	8	5	1	2	17	8
1966	World Cup finals	Quarter-finals	4	2	0	2	8	7
1966	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	4	3	1	0	8	3
1964	EURO finals	3rd place	2	1	0	1	4	3
1964	EURO qualifying	Quarter-finals (qualified)	6	4	2	0	14	8
1962	World Cup finals	Quarter-finals	4	2	1	1	8	3
1962	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	4	3	1	0	11	5
1960	EURO qualifying	Round of 16	2	0	0	2	1	4
1958	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	4	1	1	2	7	5
1958	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	4	3	0	1	12	4
1954	World Cup finals	Final	5	4	0	1	27	10
1938	World Cup finals	Final	4	3	0	1	15	5
1938	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	1	1	0	0	11	1

**UEFA EURO and FIFA World Cup campaigns**

1934	World Cup finals	Quarter-finals	2	1	0	1	5	4
1934	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	2	2	0	0	8	2

## Hungary - Head to head against teams in other pots

### Hungary v Albania

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
28/03/2009	FIFA World Cup	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Hungary	0 - 1
11/10/2008	FIFA World Cup	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - Albania	2 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	2	2	0	0	3	0
Friendlies	4	3	1	0	16	0

- Albania have not scored in six matches against Hungary, including a 12-0 mauling by the Mighty Magyars in September 1950 that featured four goals apiece for Ferenc Puskás and László Budai. That remains Hungary's joint biggest margin of victory – alongside a 13-1 win against France in June 1927.
- The nations met competitively for the first time in 2010 FIFA World Cup qualifying. Hungary won both matches, 2-0 in Budapest and 1-0 in Tirana, with Sándor Torghelle scoring in each game.
- The most recent encounter, a June 2014 friendly in Budapest, resulted in another 1-0 win for Hungary courtesy of Tamás Priskin's penalty eight minutes from time.

### Hungary v Austria

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
17/04/1985	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Hungary	0 - 3
26/09/1984	FIFA World Cup	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - Austria	3 - 1
24/09/1975	UEFA EURO	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - Austria	2 - 1
02/04/1975	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Hungary	0 - 0
29/04/1973	FIFA World Cup	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - Austria	2 - 2
15/10/1972	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Hungary	2 - 2
05/09/1965	FIFA World Cup	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - Austria	3 - 0
13/06/1965	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Hungary	0 - 1
31/05/1934	FIFA World Cup	Bologna (ITA)	Austria - Hungary	2 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	1	1	0	2	1
World Cup	7	4	2	1	15	7
Friendlies	127	61	27	39	280	244

- The eastern European neighbours have met 136 times, their first competitive encounter coming at the 1934 FIFA World Cup, where Austria defeated Hungary 2-1 in Bologna to reach the semi-finals. That remains the countries' only final tournament meeting.
- When Hungary last qualified for a major tournament, the 1986 World Cup, they overcame Austria twice in the process, winning 3-1 in Budapest and 3-0 in Vienna. Those are the sides' most recent competitive encounters.
- Honours have been even in the nine friendlies since then, with three wins apiece and three draws. Hungary won the most recent encounter, 2-1 in Graz in August 2006.

**Hungary v Belgium****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
22/06/1982	FIFA World Cup	Elche (ESP)	Belgium - Hungary	1 - 1
17/06/1972	UEFA EURO	Liege (BEL)	Hungary - Belgium	1 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	1	0	0	1	1	2
World Cup	1	0	1	0	1	1
Friendlies	10	2	1	7	14	24

- Belgium and Hungary have not met in a competitive fixture since the 1982 FIFA World Cup, when they drew 1-1 in Elche. Alex Czerniatynski's late equaliser took the Red Devils through to the second phase at their opponents' expense.
- The only other competitive meeting was the third-place play-off at the 1972 UEFA European Championship; Belgium's Paul Van Himst scored the winner in a 2-1 success for the tournament hosts.
- The only meeting in the past 20 years was a November 2009 friendly in Ghent. Belgium won 3-0 with goals from Marouane Fellaini, Thomas Vermaelen and Kevin Mirallas.

**Hungary v Croatia****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
12/10/2005	FIFA World Cup	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - Croatia	0 - 0
04/09/2004	FIFA World Cup	Zagreb (CRO)	Croatia - Hungary	3 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	2	0	1	1	0	3
Friendlies	7	1	4	2	7	11

- In the six meetings between the teams since Croatia regained independence there have been three draws and three wins for Croatia.
- The only competitive fixtures between the countries took place in qualifying for the 2006 FIFA World Cup, Croatia winning 3-0 in Zagreb before closing their group-topping campaign with a 0-0 draw in Budapest.
- The most recent encounter, a Budapest friendly in May 2008, ended 1-1 with Niko Kovač, who coached Croatia for much of the UEFA EURO 2016 qualifying campaign, scoring at both ends.

**Hungary v England****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
12/10/1983	UEFA EURO	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - England	0 - 3
27/04/1983	UEFA EURO	London (ENG)	England - Hungary	2 - 0
18/11/1981	FIFA World Cup	London (ENG)	England - Hungary	1 - 0
06/06/1981	FIFA World Cup	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - England	1 - 3
31/05/1962	FIFA World Cup	Rancagua (CHI)	Hungary - England	2 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	0	0	2	0	5
World Cup	3	1	0	2	3	5
Friendlies	17	4	2	11	27	51

- Hungary famously defeated England 6-3 at Wembley in November 1953, Nándor Hidegkuti scoring a hat-trick, before demolishing the same opposition 7-1 in Budapest six months later – still England's heaviest ever defeat.
- Since losing 2-1 to Hungary at the 1962 FIFA World Cup, however, England have won 11 of the 13 fixtures between the countries, drawing the other two. They have conceded just five goals during that sequence, which featured seven successive clean sheets between 1981 and 1996.
- The teams last met at Wembley in August 2010, with England coming back from a Phil Jagielka own goal to win with a double from Steven Gerrard. He also opened the scoring four years earlier in a 3-1 victory at Old Trafford.

## Hungary v France

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
09/06/1986	FIFA World Cup	Leon (MEX)	Hungary - France	0 - 3
10/06/1978	FIFA World Cup	Mar del Plata (ARG)	France - Hungary	3 - 1
09/10/1971	UEFA EURO	Paris (FRA)	France - Hungary	0 - 2
24/04/1971	UEFA EURO	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - France	1 - 1
23/05/1964	UEFA EURO	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - France	2 - 1 (agg: 5-2)
25/04/1964	UEFA EURO	Paris (FRA)	France - Hungary	1 - 3

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	3	1	0	8	3
World Cup	2	0	0	2	1	6
Friendlies	16	9	1	6	38	22

- Hungary have a superior head-to-head record against France overall, but Les Bleus have been victorious in each of the last five encounters.
- Two of those matches took place at the FIFA World Cup finals, France winning 3-1 at Argentina '78 and 3-0 at Mexico '86. Dominique Rocheteau scored the third goal for France in both games.
- Hungary have won three and drawn one of the teams' four fixtures in the UEFA European Championship – en route to reaching the final tournament in both 1964 and 1972.

## Hungary v Germany

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
04/07/1954	FIFA World Cup	Berne (SUI)	Germany - Hungary	3 - 2
20/06/1954	FIFA World Cup	Basel (SUI)	Hungary - Germany	8 - 3

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	2	1	0	1	10	6
Friendlies	30	9	10	11	51	62

- The 1954 FIFA World Cup brought wildly differing fortunes for the two countries. Hungary overwhelmed West Germany 8-3 in a Basel group game but then went on to lose 3-2 in the Berne final, Helmut Rahn scoring both the equaliser and the late winner. It was the Mighty Magyars' only defeat in 50 matches over a seven-year period.
- Those matches in Switzerland remain the only competitive encounters between the two countries.
- While Germany are unbeaten on their last six visits to Budapest, Hungary have won the last two friendlies staged on German soil – 1-0 in Hamburg in January 1985 and 2-0 in Kaiserslautern in June 2004.
- Hungary's German coach Bernd Storck spent six seasons in the 1980s as a defender with Borussia Dortmund.

## Hungary v Iceland

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
04/06/2005	FIFA World Cup	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Hungary	2 - 3
08/09/2004	FIFA World Cup	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - Iceland	3 - 2
11/11/1995	UEFA EURO	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - Iceland	1 - 0
11/06/1995	UEFA EURO	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Hungary	2 - 1
16/06/1993	FIFA World Cup	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Hungary	2 - 0
03/06/1992	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Hungary - Iceland	1 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	1	0	1	2	2
World Cup	4	2	0	2	7	8
Friendlies	4	4	0	0	12	0

- The nations have met six times in qualifying tournaments, Iceland winning the first three games and Hungary the last three.
- Friendlies included, there has never been a draw between the countries in ten encounters.
- The only meeting during the past decade, a Budapest friendly in August 2011, resulted in a resounding 4-0 win for Hungary, with current skipper Balázs Dzsudzsák among the scorers. It was Hungary's fifth successive victory over Iceland.

## Hungary v Italy

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
06/10/2001	FIFA World Cup	Parma (ITA)	Italy - Hungary	1 - 0
03/09/2000	FIFA World Cup	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - Italy	2 - 2
01/05/1991	UEFA EURO	Salerno (ITA)	Italy - Hungary	3 - 1
17/10/1990	UEFA EURO	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - Italy	1 - 1
06/06/1978	FIFA World Cup	Mar del Plata (ARG)	Italy - Hungary	3 - 1
19/06/1938	FIFA World Cup	Paris (FRA)	Italy - Hungary	4 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	0	1	1	2	4
World Cup	4	0	1	3	5	10
Friendlies	27	8	7	12	46	49

- Frequent opponents in the first half of the 20th century, including at the 1938 FIFA World Cup, where Italy defeated Hungary 4-2 en route to their successful trophy defence in France, the nations have met only three times since 2000. The most recent fixture was a 2007 friendly that Hungary won 3-1 against the reigning world champions in Budapest, Roland Juhász and Zoltán Gera among the scorers.
- Italy also defeated Hungary at the 1978 World Cup in Argentina, 3-1 in Mar del Plata. They are yet to lose to their opponents in four qualifiers, winning both home games and drawing the two away fixtures.
- The only previous UEFA European Championship meetings came in qualifying for EURO '92, a tournament both countries failed to reach after finishing behind the USSR, who would go on to compete in Sweden as CIS.

## Hungary v Northern Ireland

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
07/09/2015	UEFA EURO	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Hungary	1 - 1
07/09/2014	UEFA EURO	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - Northern Ireland	1 - 2
06/09/1989	FIFA World Cup	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Hungary	1 - 2
19/10/1988	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Hungary - Northern Ireland	1 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	0	1	1	2	3
World Cup	2	2	0	0	3	1
Friendlies	2	2	0	0	3	0

- The teams were in the same UEFA EURO 2016 qualifying group, Northern Ireland finishing first and Hungary third.
- Michael O'Neill's side won the opening qualifier 2-1 in Budapest thanks to two late goals, the second of them from Kyle Lafferty. The forward struck three minutes into added time, cancelling out Richárd Guzmics' opener, to earn his side a 1-1 draw in the Windsor Park return.
- That was the first time Northern Ireland had avoided defeat in four Belfast fixtures against Hungary.

## Hungary v Portugal

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
10/10/2009	FIFA World Cup	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Hungary	3 - 0
09/09/2009	FIFA World Cup	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - Portugal	0 - 1
09/10/1999	UEFA EURO	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Hungary	3 - 0
06/09/1998	UEFA EURO	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - Portugal	1 - 3
13/07/1966	FIFA World Cup	Manchester (ENG)	Portugal - Hungary	3 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	0	0	2	1	6
World Cup	3	0	0	3	1	7
Friendlies	5	0	3	2	5	10

- Portugal boast a formidable record against Hungary. They have not lost to them in ten meetings and have won all five of the nations' competitive fixtures.
- The only final tournament encounter came at the 1966 FIFA World Cup, Portugal defeating Hungary 3-1 at Old Trafford in their opening game. Both teams qualified from the group, a Eusébio-inspired Portugal taking third place.
- Portugal breached the Hungary defence three times in both qualifiers for UEFA EURO 2000, the second victory taking them into the finals as the best runners-up. A decade later a Pepe goal gave the Iberians a 1-0 victory in Budapest, with Simão Sabrosa scoring twice in the Lisbon return (3-0) as Portugal qualified for the World Cup in South Africa.
- The teams have been drawn together in qualifying for the 2018 World Cup.

## Hungary v Republic of Ireland

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
04/06/1989	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Hungary	2 - 0
08/03/1989	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Hungary - Republic of Ireland	0 - 0
05/11/1969	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Hungary - Republic of Ireland	4 - 0
08/06/1969	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Hungary	1 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	4	2	1	1	6	3
Friendlies	6	2	3	1	15	13

- Hungary and Ireland have never met in a UEFA European Championship match.
- The nations' last competitive fixture was a qualifier for the 1990 FIFA World Cup, Ireland winning 2-0 in Dublin with goals from Paul McGrath and Tony Cascarino en route to reaching the finals for the first time. Three months earlier the teams drew 0-0 in Budapest.
- There were no goals when the sides last met – in a Budapest friendly that Ireland used as their final warm-up game prior to UEFA EURO 2012.

## Hungary v Russia

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
08/09/1993	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Hungary - Russia	1 - 3
28/04/1993	FIFA World Cup	Moscow (RUS)	Russia - Hungary	3 - 0
25/09/1991	UEFA EURO	Moscow (RUS)	USSR - Hungary	2 - 2
17/04/1991	UEFA EURO	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - USSR	0 - 1
02/06/1986	FIFA World Cup	Irapuato (MEX)	USSR - Hungary	6 - 0
19/05/1979	UEFA EURO	Tbilisi (GEO)	USSR - Hungary	2 - 2
11/10/1978	UEFA EURO	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - USSR	2 - 0
18/05/1977	FIFA World Cup	Tbilisi (GEO)	USSR - Hungary	2 - 0
30/04/1977	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Hungary - USSR	2 - 1
14/06/1972	UEFA EURO	Brussels (BEL)	Hungary - USSR	0 - 1
11/05/1968	UEFA EURO	Moscow (RUS)	USSR - Hungary	3 - 0 (agg: 3-2)
04/05/1968	UEFA EURO	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - USSR	2 - 0
23/07/1966	FIFA World Cup	Sunderland (ENG)	USSR - Hungary	2 - 1
27/09/1959	UEFA EURO	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - USSR	0 - 1 (agg: 1-4)
28/09/1958	UEFA EURO	Moscow (RUS)	USSR - Hungary	3 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	9	2	2	5	9	13
World Cup	6	1	0	5	4	17
Friendlies	10	2	4	4	21	15

- Russia did the double over Hungary in their first major tournament following the dissolution of the USSR, winning both USA '94 FIFA World Cup qualifiers – 3-0 in Moscow and 3-1 in Budapest. There have been no subsequent competitive meetings.
- Russia were victorious again when the teams contested a friendly at Budapest's newly constructed Groupama Aréna in November 2014. Sergei Ignashevich and Aleksandr Kerzhakov scored for the visitors before Nemanja Nikolić pulled one back for the hosts.



- Hungary were defeated 1-0 by the USSR in the last four of the 1972 UEFA European Championship in Belgium. They have not returned to the EURO finals since.

## Hungary v Spain

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
15/11/1989	FIFA World Cup	Seville (ESP)	Spain - Hungary	4 - 0
11/10/1989	FIFA World Cup	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - Spain	2 - 2
17/06/1964	UEFA EURO	Madrid (ESP)	Spain - Hungary	2 - 1 (aet)

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	1	0	0	1	1	2
World Cup	2	0	1	1	2	6
Friendlies	10	3	4	3	15	13

- The only previous UEFA European Championship match between Hungary and Spain was the 1964 semi-final in Madrid, which the host nation won 2-1 after extra time thanks to Amancio Amaro's 112th-minute strike.
- Hungary missed out on the 1990 FIFA World Cup – having been present at the previous three final tournaments – after drawing 2-2 at home with Spain then losing 4-0 in Seville in their final two qualifying fixtures.
- Hungary's three wins against Spain have all come on Spanish soil – in Valencia, Cadiz and Santander. They have drawn four and lost one of the five games staged in Budapest.

## Hungary v Switzerland

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
20/08/1997	FIFA World Cup	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - Switzerland	1 - 1
30/04/1997	FIFA World Cup	Zurich (SUI)	Switzerland - Hungary	1 - 0
11/10/1995	UEFA EURO	Zurich (SUI)	Switzerland - Hungary	3 - 0
29/03/1995	UEFA EURO	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - Switzerland	2 - 2
14/10/1981	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Hungary - Switzerland	3 - 0
28/04/1981	FIFA World Cup	Lucerne (SUI)	Switzerland - Hungary	2 - 2
12/06/1938	FIFA World Cup	Villeneuve d'Ascq (FRA)	Hungary - Switzerland	2 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	0	1	1	2	5
World Cup	5	2	2	1	8	4
Friendlies	37	28	2	7	117	49

- Hungary and Switzerland have met on 44 occasions but not once in the past 18 years.
- Their most recent UEFA European Championship encounters came in the qualifying tournament for EURO '96, Switzerland reaching the finals in England thanks to a 2-2 away draw and a 3-0 home win. That was a role reversal from the 1982 FIFA World Cup qualifiers, Hungary advancing to Spain after a 2-2 draw in Lucerne and a 3-0 victory in Budapest.
- Long-serving Hungary defender Vilmos Vanczák has played for Swiss club Sion since 2007.

## Hungary v Turkey

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
26/03/2013	FIFA World Cup	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Hungary	1 - 1
16/10/2012	FIFA World Cup	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - Turkey	3 - 1
12/09/2007	UEFA EURO	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Hungary	3 - 0
07/10/2006	UEFA EURO	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - Turkey	0 - 1
06/09/1995	UEFA EURO	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Hungary	2 - 0
07/09/1994	UEFA EURO	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - Turkey	2 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	0	1	3	2	8
World Cup	2	1	1	0	4	2
Friendlies	6	5	0	1	19	5

- Hungary and Turkey last met in the 2014 FIFA World Cup qualifiers. Although neither team reached the finals in Brazil, Hungary had the better of the two games, winning 3-1 in Budapest and drawing 1-1 in Istanbul. They went a goal down in both matches.
- Conversely, Turkey used Hungary as a stepping stone to successful qualifying campaigns for EURO '96 and UEFA EURO 2008, taking four points off their opponents in the former campaign and all six in the latter.
- Hungary skipper Balázs Dzsudzsák plays in Turkey with Bursaspor and is a club colleague of Turkey defender Serdar Aziz.

## Hungary v Ukraine

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	2	2	0	0	5	2

- Hungary and Ukraine have yet to meet in a competitive fixture, although it was a USSR team full of Ukrainians – and with a Ukrainian coach in Valeriy Lobanovskiy – that overwhelmed their central European opponents 6-0 in the opening group game at the Mexico '86 FIFA World Cup.
- The only two friendlies between the nations took place shortly after Ukraine had regained independence, in 1992, Hungary winning both matches – 3-1 away in Uzhhorod and 2-1 at home in Nyiregyhaza.
- The Uzhhorod game was Ukraine's first international fixture, with Ivan Getsko's 90th-minute consolation strike their maiden goal.

## Hungary v Wales

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
16/04/1975	UEFA EURO	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - Wales	1 - 2
30/10/1974	UEFA EURO	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Hungary	2 - 0
20/03/1963	UEFA EURO	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Hungary	1 - 1 (agg: 2-4)
07/11/1962	UEFA EURO	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - Wales	3 - 1
17/06/1958	FIFA World Cup	Solna (SWE)	Wales - Hungary	2 - 1
08/06/1958	FIFA World Cup	Sanviken (SWE)	Hungary - Wales	1 - 1


Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	1	1	2	5	6
World Cup	2	0	1	1	2	3
Friendlies	4	2	0	2	7	6

- Over 40 years have passed since the countries last met in a competitive fixture, Wales defeating Hungary 2-1 in Budapest to add to their earlier 2-0 victory in Cardiff and reach the 1976 UEFA European Championship quarter-finals as group winners. John Toshack was a scorer in both matches.
- Wales have also won the two friendlies staged this century – 2-1 again in Budapest in March 2004 and 2-0 again in Cardiff the following February, when Craig Bellamy scored both goals.
- Hungary were led in those two friendlies – as they are now – by a German coach, Lothar Matthäus.

## Team profiles: Pot 4

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 Turkey

 Republic of Ireland

 Iceland

 Wales

 Albania

 Northern Ireland

## Turkey

### Turkey - Team profile

**Best result:** Semi-finals (2008)

**Coach:** Fatih Terim

**Leading scorers:** all-time – Hakan Şükür (51); current – Burak Yılmaz (19)

**Most appearances:** all-time – Rüştü Reçber (120); current – Emre Belözoğlu (93)

**Association formed:** 1923

**Nickname:** Ay-Yıldızlılar (The Crescent-Stars)

**Where they play:** Various

The pinnacle of Turkey's achievement came at the 2002 FIFA World Cup, where Şenol Güneş's side upset the odds to finish third. It was only their second World Cup appearance and they have not been back since. It took Turkey ten attempts to qualify for their first UEFA European Championship final tournament, and after losing all three matches at EURO '96 they reached the quarter-finals at UEFA EURO 2000 under Mustafa Denizli. They went one step further eight years later in Austria/ Switzerland, a dramatic penalty shoot-out win over Croatia putting Fatih Terim's team into the semi-finals, where they lost 3-2 to Germany. After missing out in Poland/Ukraine, they returned to the finals at UEFA EURO 2016 by qualifying as the best third-placed side over the nine preliminary sections.

#### EURO pedigree

##### Matches played

**Overall:** P122 W47 D29 L46 F145 A167

**Final tournament:** P12 W3 D2 L7 F11 A18

**Qualifying:** P110 W44 D27 L39 F134 A149

Having not managed a win in their previous two qualifying campaigns, Turkey eventually reached a first finals at EURO '96, but Terim's men could not muster a point in England. They bettered that in 2000, battling through the group stage before a 2-0 quarter-final loss to Portugal. A play-off defeat by Latvia meant Güneş' Turkey missed UEFA EURO 2004 but with Terim back at the helm they starred at UEFA EURO 2008. Last-gasp victories over Switzerland, the Czech Republic and Croatia took them through to the semi-finals, where they finally met their match in Germany.

Despite making a bright start to a tough Group A in qualifying for UEFA EURO 2012, losses in Germany and, more surprisingly, Azerbaijan put Guus Hiddink's side on the back foot. Turkey recovered to finish second ahead of Belgium but Croatia were too strong in the play-offs, a 3-0 first-leg win in Istanbul proving decisive.

#### Memorable EURO matches

##### 20/06/2008: Turkey 1-1 Croatia (aet, 3-1 on pens), UEFA EURO 2008 quarter-finals

Semih Şentürk's 122nd-minute equaliser stopped Slaven Bilić in his tracks, Turkey winning the shoot-out.

##### 11/06/2008: Switzerland 1-2 Turkey, UEFA EURO 2008 group stage

In a downpour, substitute Semih equalised before Arda Turan's 92nd-minute winner.

##### 19/06/2000: Turkey 2-0 Belgium, UEFA EURO 2000 group stage

Two Hakan Şükür goals fired Turkey into the quarter-finals for the first time at the co-hosts' expense.

#### Did you know?

Having failed to qualify in their first nine UEFA European Championship campaigns, Turkey have reached four of the last six final tournaments.

\*Last updated on 18/11/2015

## Turkey - Coach profile

### Fatih Terim

**Date of birth:** 4 September 1953

**Nationality:** Turkish

**Playing career:** Adana Demirspor, Galatasaray AŞ

**Coaching career:** MKE Ankaragücü, Göztepe AŞ, Turkey Under-21, Turkey (three times), Galatasaray AŞ (three times), ACF Fiorentina, AC Milan

- A central defender, Terim represented Galatasaray for over a decade and played 51 games for Turkey, 32 as captain. Began his coaching career with Ankaragücü and Göztepe, before being named assistant to national team boss Sepp Piontek and put in charge of the U21s in 1990.
- Appointed Turkey coach in 1993, Terim led them to EURO '96. They lost all their matches in England, but just getting to the final tournament, Turkey's first since the 1954 FIFA World Cup, was a major landmark.
- Returned to Galatasaray after the EURO, winning four league titles and the 2000 UEFA Cup. Serie A came calling and Terim took the helm at Fiorentina and Milan before rejoining Galatasaray; however, a run of disappointing results brought about a temporary retirement in 2004.
- Reappointed Turkey coach in 2005, Terim – known as 'İmparator' (The Emperor) for his leadership skills – could not guide them through a 2006 World Cup play-off against Switzerland. Success followed at UEFA EURO 2008 with Terim steering Turkey to the semi-finals but he resigned following unsuccessful bid to reach the 2010 World Cup.
- Back for a third spell as Galatasaray boss in July 2011, in his first season he inspired Cimbom to their first Süper Lig crown in four years. Repeated the feat in 2013 when also helping Galatasaray to the UEFA Champions League quarter-finals. Named head of the national team for a third time – on a part-time basis – in August 2013, he parted company with Galatasaray in September to assume the role full time. Was unable to lead Turkey to the 2014 World Cup despite winning three of his four qualifiers in charge, but did take them to UEFA EURO 2016.

## Turkey - Team facts

### EURO record

	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
Overall	122	47	29	46	145	167
Final tournament	12	3	2	7	11	18
Qualifying	110	44	27	39	134	149

### UEFA European Championship records: Turkey

#### History

2012 – did not qualify  
 2008 – semi-finals  
 2004 – did not qualify  
 2000 – quarter-finals  
 1996 – group stage  
 1992 – did not qualify  
 1988 – did not qualify  
 1984 – did not qualify  
 1980 – did not qualify  
 1976 – did not qualify  
 1972 – did not qualify  
 1968 – did not qualify  
 1964 – did not qualify  
 1960 – did not qualify

#### Final tournament win

**2-0:** Turkey v Belgium, 19/06/00

#### Final tournament loss

**3-0:** Turkey v Denmark, 19/06/96

#### Qualifying win

**5-0:** Turkey v Moldova, 11/10/06  
**5-0:** Turkey v Liechtenstein, 16/10/02  
**5-0:** Turkey v Iceland, 12/10/94

#### Qualifying defeat

**8-0:** England v Turkey, 14/10/87

#### Final tournament appearances

**9:** Rüştü Reçber  
**7:** Hakan Şükür  
**7:** Ogün Temizkanoğlu  
**7:** Arif Erdem  
**7:** Alpay Özalan

#### Final tournament goals

**3:** Semih Şentürk  
**2:** Hakan Şükür  
**2:** Nihat Kahveci  
**2:** Arda Turan  
**1:** Okan Buruk  
**1:** Uğur Boral

#### Overall appearances

**38:** Hakan Şükür  
**38:** Rüştü Reçber  
**31:** Tugay Kerimoğlu  
**30:** Alpay Özalan  
**30:** Arda Turan  
**26:** Emre Belözoğlu  
**26:** Hamit Altıntop  
**25:** Ogün Temizkanoğlu

**Overall goals****21:** Hakan Şükür**9:** Nihat Kahveci**7:** Arda Turan**7:** Burak Yılmaz**5:** Arif Erdem**5:** Tayfur Havutçu**UEFA EURO and FIFA World Cup campaigns**

Season	Competition	Result	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
2016	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	10	5	3	2	14	9
2014	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 4th in group	10	5	1	4	16	9
2012	EURO qualifying	Play-off for Final Tournament	12	5	3	4	13	14
2010	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	10	4	3	3	13	10
2008	EURO finals	Semi-finals	5	2	1	2	8	9
2008	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group (qualified)	12	7	3	2	25	11
2006	World Cup qualifying	Play-off for Final Tournament	14	7	5	2	27	13
2004	EURO qualifying	Play-off for Final Tournament	10	6	2	2	19	8
2002	World Cup finals	3rd place	7	4	1	2	10	6
2002	World Cup qualifying	Play-off for Final Tournament (qualified)	12	8	3	1	24	8
2000	EURO finals	Quarter-finals	4	1	1	2	3	4
2000	EURO qualifying	Play-off for Final Tournament (qualified)	10	5	4	1	16	7
1998	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	8	4	2	2	21	9
1996	EURO finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 4th in group	3	0	0	3	0	5
1996	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 2nd in group (qualified)	8	4	3	1	16	8
1994	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 5th in group	10	3	1	6	11	19
1992	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 4th in group	6	0	0	6	1	14
1990	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	8	3	1	4	12	10
1988	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 4th in group	6	0	2	4	2	16
1986	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 5th in group	8	0	1	7	2	24
1984	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 4th in group	8	3	1	4	8	16
1982	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 5th in group	8	0	0	8	1	22
1980	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 2nd in group	6	3	1	2	5	5
1978	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	6	2	1	3	9	5
1976	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 3rd in group	6	2	2	2	5	10
1974	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	6	2	2	2	5	3
1972	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 3rd in group	6	2	1	3	5	13
1970	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	4	0	0	4	2	13
1968	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 4th in group	6	1	2	3	3	8
1966	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 4th in group	6	1	0	5	4	19
1964	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round	2	0	0	2	0	7
1962	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	4	2	0	2	4	4
1960	EURO qualifying	Round of 16	2	1	0	1	2	3
1954	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	3	1	0	2	10	11
1954	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	3	1	1	1	4	6
1950	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group	1	1	0	0	7	0



## Turkey - Head to head against teams in other pots

### Turkey v Austria

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
06/09/2011	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Turkey	0 - 0
29/03/2011	UEFA EURO	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Austria	2 - 0
14/11/2001	FIFA World Cup	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Austria	5 - 0 (agg: 6-0)
10/11/2001	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Turkey	0 - 1
25/10/1989	FIFA World Cup	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Austria	3 - 0
02/11/1988	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Turkey	3 - 2
16/11/1983	UEFA EURO	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Austria	3 - 1
17/11/1982	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Turkey	4 - 0
30/10/1977	FIFA World Cup	Izmir (TUR)	Turkey - Austria	0 - 1
17/04/1977	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Turkey	1 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	2	1	1	5	5
World Cup	6	3	0	3	11	5
Friendlies	5	1	0	4	4	7

- The first five matches between the nations all ended with 1-0 wins to Austria.
- Turkey have had the better of things in recent competitive fixtures, including qualifying for UEFA EURO 2012. They won 2-0 in Istanbul – Arda Turan opening the scoring – and drew 0-0 in Vienna to reach the play-offs, where they were beaten by Croatia.
- Turkey did the double over Austria in the 2002 FIFA World Cup play-offs, winning 6-0 on aggregate. They finished third in South Korea/Japan.

### Turkey v Belgium

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
03/06/2011	UEFA EURO	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Turkey	1 - 1
07/09/2010	UEFA EURO	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Belgium	3 - 2
10/10/2009	FIFA World Cup	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Turkey	2 - 0
10/09/2008	FIFA World Cup	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Belgium	1 - 1
19/06/2000	UEFA EURO	Brussels (BEL)	Turkey - Belgium	2 - 0
30/04/1997	FIFA World Cup	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Belgium	1 - 3
31/08/1996	FIFA World Cup	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Turkey	2 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	3	2	1	0	6	3
World Cup	4	0	1	3	3	8
Friendlies	4	1	3	0	8	7

- Turkey ended co-hosts Belgium's interest in UEFA EURO 2000 when a Hakan Şükür double in the final group game in Brussels gave them a 2-0 win and a place in the quarter-finals. It was Turkey's first victory at a major tournament.
- Five of the sides' 11 matches have been drawn, with each country winning three times apiece.
- The nations were paired together in the qualifying groups for the 2010 FIFA World Cup and UEFA EURO 2012. However, neither side qualified for either tournament, Turkey missing out on the latter in the play-offs.

## Turkey v Croatia

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
15/11/2011	UEFA EURO	Zagreb (CRO)	Croatia - Turkey	0 - 0 (agg: 3-0)
11/11/2011	UEFA EURO	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Croatia	0 - 3
20/06/2008	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Croatia - Turkey	1 - 1 (1-3p)
11/06/1996	UEFA EURO	Nottingham (ENG)	Turkey - Croatia	0 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	0	2	2	1	5
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	2	0	2	0	3	3

- Croatia and Turkey made their UEFA European Championship finals debut at EURO '96 and were paired in the opening game. Croatia won the match in Nottingham 1-0 with a late breakaway goal from Goran Vlaović. Then, as now, Fatih Terim was Turkey's coach.
- The teams met again in Vienna in a dramatic UEFA EURO 2008 quarter-final, Turkey going through on penalties after a 1-1 draw in which both sides scored late in extra time. Semih Şentürk cancelled out Ivan Klasnić's 119th-minute strike to force the shoot-out.
- Croatia gained some revenge by defeating Turkey 3-0 away – and by the same aggregate score – in the play-offs for UEFA EURO 2012.
- The nations have been drawn together in the 2018 FIFA World Cup qualifying competition.

## Turkey v Czech Republic

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
10/10/2015	UEFA EURO	Prague (CZE)	Czech Republic - Turkey	0 - 2
10/10/2014	UEFA EURO	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Czech Republic	1 - 2
15/06/2008	UEFA EURO	Geneva (SUI)	Turkey - Czech Republic	3 - 2
15/04/1981	FIFA World Cup	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Czechoslovakia	0 - 3
03/12/1980	FIFA World Cup	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Turkey	2 - 0
15/11/1967	UEFA EURO	Ankara (TUR)	Turkey - Czechoslovakia	0 - 0
18/06/1967	UEFA EURO	Bratislava (SVK)	Czechoslovakia - Turkey	3 - 0
21/11/1965	FIFA World Cup	Brno (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Turkey	3 - 1
09/10/1965	FIFA World Cup	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Czechoslovakia	0 - 6

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	5	2	1	2	6	7
World Cup	4	0	0	4	1	14
Friendlies	9	2	2	5	7	18

- The teams qualified together for UEFA EURO 2016 from Group A, the Czech Republic taking top spot and Turkey going through as the best third-placed team. Each beat the other away from home, the Czechs winning 2-1 in Istanbul thanks to Bořek Dočkal's winner; Turkey turned the tables with a 2-0 triumph in Prague through a Selçuk İnan penalty and Hakan Çalhanoğlu.
- The only other competitive meeting was a five-goal thriller at UEFA EURO 2008, Turkey coming from two down to win 3-2 in Geneva. Two late Nihat Kahveci goals took them into the quarter-finals while eliminating their opponents.
- Czech defender Tomáš Sivok, striker Tomáš Necid (both Bursaspor) and defender Michal Kadlec (Fenerbahçe) all play in the Turkish Süper Lig.

## Turkey v England

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
11/10/2003	UEFA EURO	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - England	0 - 0
02/04/2003	UEFA EURO	Sunderland (ENG)	England - Turkey	2 - 0
31/03/1993	FIFA World Cup	Izmir (TUR)	Turkey - England	0 - 2
18/11/1992	FIFA World Cup	London (ENG)	England - Turkey	4 - 0
16/10/1991	UEFA EURO	London (ENG)	England - Turkey	1 - 0
01/05/1991	UEFA EURO	Izmir (TUR)	Turkey - England	0 - 1
14/10/1987	UEFA EURO	London (ENG)	England - Turkey	8 - 0
29/04/1987	UEFA EURO	Izmir (TUR)	Turkey - England	0 - 0
16/10/1985	FIFA World Cup	London (ENG)	England - Turkey	5 - 0
14/11/1984	FIFA World Cup	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - England	0 - 8

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	6	0	2	4	0	12
World Cup	4	0	0	4	0	19
Friendlies	-	-	-	-	-	-

- In ten fixtures against England – all of them in competitive internationals – Turkey have yet to score a goal. England, by contrast, have found the net 31 times.
- England triumphed 8-0 in the first meeting, a 1986 FIFA World Cup qualifier in Istanbul featuring a hat-trick from Bryan Robson. Gary Lineker also registered three times in the 5-0 return fixture at Wembley and in a second 8-0 win, also in London, in qualification for EURO '88.
- The most recent fixtures between the nations came in UEFA EURO 2004 qualifying, with England prevailing 2-0 in Sunderland before clinching their place in Portugal with a goalless draw in Istanbul – despite a missed David Beckham penalty.

### Turkey v France

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	4	0	0	4	2	12

- Just four matches have ever been played between France and Turkey, and all four have been won by Les Bleus.
- The only goals Turkey have scored against France came in the teams' sole competitive meeting, the 2003 FIFA Confederations Cup semi-final, which Jacques Santini's side won 3-2 at the Stade de France en route to lifting the trophy.
- The most recent contest, a friendly at Lyon's Stade Gerland in June 2009, was edged 1-0 by France with a penalty from Karim Benzema.

## Turkey v Germany

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
07/10/2011	UEFA EURO	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Germany	1 - 3
08/10/2010	UEFA EURO	Berlin (GER)	Germany - Turkey	3 - 0
25/06/2008	UEFA EURO	Basel (SUI)	Germany - Turkey	3 - 2
09/10/1999	UEFA EURO	Munich (GER)	Germany - Turkey	0 - 0
10/10/1998	UEFA EURO	Bursa (TUR)	Turkey - Germany	1 - 0
26/10/1983	UEFA EURO	Berlin (GER)	Germany - Turkey	5 - 1
23/04/1983	UEFA EURO	Izmir (TUR)	Turkey - Germany	0 - 3
22/12/1979	UEFA EURO	Gelsenkirchen (GER)	Germany - Turkey	2 - 0
01/04/1979	UEFA EURO	Izmir (TUR)	Turkey - Germany	0 - 0
25/04/1971	UEFA EURO	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Germany	0 - 3
17/10/1970	UEFA EURO	Cologne (GER)	Germany - Turkey	1 - 1
23/06/1954	FIFA World Cup	Zurich (SUI)	Germany - Turkey	7 - 2
17/06/1954	FIFA World Cup	Berne (SUI)	Germany - Turkey	4 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	11	1	3	7	6	23
World Cup	2	0	0	2	3	11
Friendlies	7	2	0	5	4	15

- Germany and Turkey qualified for UEFA EURO 2000 from the same group, Turkey claiming a historic 1-0 success in Bursa courtesy of a headed goal from all-time record scorer Hakan Şükür. It was their first competitive victory against Germany in nine attempts and their first overall since the countries' inaugural encounter, in 1951, which Turkey won 2-1 in Berlin.
- The nations' most famous fixture to date came in the UEFA EURO 2008 semi-finals, when Philipp Lahm's 90th-minute winner gave Joachim Löw's Germany a 3-2 triumph against Fatih Terim's Turkey side.
- Five of Germany's most legendary strikers – Gerd Müller, Jupp Heynckes, Karl-Heinz Rummenigge, Rudi Völler and Miroslav Klose – have all scored two goals in a game against Turkey. Two others – Uwe Seeler and Max Morlock – have managed hat-tricks.
- Turkey's Hakan Çalhanoğlu plays for Bundesliga club Bayer Leverkusen.

## Turkey v Hungary

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
26/03/2013	FIFA World Cup	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Hungary	1 - 1
16/10/2012	FIFA World Cup	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - Turkey	3 - 1
12/09/2007	UEFA EURO	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Hungary	3 - 0
07/10/2006	UEFA EURO	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - Turkey	0 - 1
06/09/1995	UEFA EURO	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Hungary	2 - 0
07/09/1994	UEFA EURO	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - Turkey	2 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	3	1	0	8	2
World Cup	2	0	1	1	2	4
Friendlies	6	1	0	5	5	19

- Hungary and Turkey last met in the 2014 FIFA World Cup qualifiers. Although neither team reached the finals in Brazil, Hungary had the better of the two games, winning 3-1 in Budapest and drawing 1-1 in Istanbul. They went a

goal down in both matches.

- Conversely, Turkey used Hungary as a stepping stone to successful qualifying campaigns for EURO '96 and UEFA EURO 2008, taking four points off their opponents in the former campaign and all six in the latter.
- Hungary skipper Balázs Dzsudzsák plays in Turkey with Bursaspor and is a club colleague of Turkey defender Serdar Aziz.

## Turkey v Italy

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
11/06/2000	UEFA EURO	Arnhem (NED)	Turkey - Italy	1 - 2
25/02/1973	FIFA World Cup	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Italy	0 - 1
13/01/1973	FIFA World Cup	Naples (ITA)	Italy - Turkey	0 - 0
27/03/1963	UEFA EURO	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Italy	0 - 1 (agg: 0-7)
02/12/1962	UEFA EURO	Bologna (ITA)	Italy - Turkey	6 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	3	0	0	3	1	9
World Cup	2	0	1	1	0	1
Friendlies	5	0	2	3	4	8

- Turkey have never beaten Italy but they have drawn each of their last two friendly encounters 1-1 – both on Italian soil, most recently in Bergamo in November 2006. They have breached the Azzurri defence in each of the last five meetings, having failed to score against them in their first five.
- The teams met at UEFA EURO 2000 in the opening game of the group stage. The match was settled 2-1 in Italy's favour by a spectacular opening strike from current Italy coach Antonio Conte and a Filippo Inzaghi penalty – after Okan Buruk had become the first Turkish player to score a competitive goal against the Azzurri. Both countries went through to the quarter-finals.
- Turkey coach Fatih Terim had brief spells in charge of Italian clubs ACF Fiorentina and AC Milan in 2000 and 2001.

## Turkey v Poland

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
27/10/1993	FIFA World Cup	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Poland	2 - 1
23/09/1992	FIFA World Cup	Poznan (POL)	Poland - Turkey	1 - 0
17/04/1991	UEFA EURO	Warsaw (POL)	Poland - Turkey	3 - 0
14/11/1990	UEFA EURO	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Poland	0 - 1
05/12/1971	UEFA EURO	Izmir (TUR)	Turkey - Poland	1 - 0
22/09/1971	UEFA EURO	Krakow (POL)	Poland - Turkey	5 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	1	0	3	2	9
World Cup	2	1	0	1	2	2
Friendlies	11	1	3	7	8	28

- Poland and Turkey have not met since qualifying for the 1994 FIFA World Cup.
- On each of the three occasions that the nations have been drawn in the same qualifying group – for EURO '72, EURO '92 and USA '94 – neither has made it through to the finals.
- Poland defender Łukasz Szukała plays in the Turkish Süper Lig for Osmanlıspor.

**Turkey v Portugal****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
07/06/2008	UEFA EURO	Geneva (SUI)	Portugal - Turkey	2 - 0
24/06/2000	UEFA EURO	Amsterdam (NED)	Turkey - Portugal	0 - 2
14/06/1996	UEFA EURO	Nottingham (ENG)	Portugal - Turkey	1 - 0
19/04/1965	FIFA World Cup	Ankara (TUR)	Turkey - Portugal	0 - 1
24/01/1965	FIFA World Cup	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Turkey	5 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	3	0	0	3	0	5
World Cup	2	0	0	2	1	6
Friendlies	3	2	0	1	7	5

- Turkey have met Portugal in each of their three EURO finals appearances, losing each time without scoring – in 1996, 2000 and 2008. Nuno Gomes scored both goals for Portugal in the only knockout fixture of the three, the UEFA EURO 2000 quarter-final in which Turkey had a player sent off and missed a penalty.
- Turkey won the first meeting of the two countries, 3-1 in Istanbul in 1955, but lost the next six fixtures until a June 2012 friendly in Lisbon, where Umut Bulut scored twice to help his team to another 3-1 victory. The sides have not met since.
- Long-serving Portugal internationals Bruno Alves and Nani both play in Turkey for Fenerbahçe while Ricardo Quaresma is at Istanbul rivals Beşiktaş.

**Turkey v Romania****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
10/09/2013	FIFA World Cup	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Turkey	0 - 2
12/10/2012	FIFA World Cup	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Romania	0 - 1
13/11/1985	FIFA World Cup	Izmir (TUR)	Turkey - Romania	1 - 3
03/04/1985	FIFA World Cup	Craiova (ROU)	Romania - Turkey	3 - 0
23/10/1965	FIFA World Cup	Ankara (TUR)	Turkey - Romania	2 - 1
02/05/1965	FIFA World Cup	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Turkey	3 - 0
26/04/1959	UEFA EURO	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Romania	2 - 0 (agg: 2-3)
02/11/1958	UEFA EURO	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Turkey	3 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	1	0	1	2	3
World Cup	6	2	0	4	5	11
Friendlies	17	2	7	8	17	33

- Romania and Turkey have met 25 times but their only UEFA European Championship encounters came in the first round of the inaugural 1960 event. Romania went through to the quarter-finals 3-2 on aggregate after both sides won at home.
- In contrast the most recent competitive encounters, in 2014 FIFA World Cup qualifying, both resulted in away wins. Romania's Gheorghe Grozav scored the only goal in Istanbul before Burak Yılmaz and Mevlüt Erdinc made it 2-0 to Turkey in Bucharest.
- Romania's Gabriel Torje and Bogdan Stancu both play in the Turkish Süper Lig, at Osmanlıspor and Gençlerbirliği respectively.

**Turkey v Russia****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
15/11/1989	FIFA World Cup	Simferopol (UKR)	USSR - Turkey	2 - 0
10/05/1989	FIFA World Cup	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - USSR	0 - 1
07/10/1981	FIFA World Cup	Izmir (TUR)	Turkey - USSR	0 - 3
23/09/1981	FIFA World Cup	Moscow (RUS)	USSR - Turkey	4 - 0
23/11/1975	UEFA EURO	Izmir (TUR)	Turkey - USSR	1 - 0
02/04/1975	UEFA EURO	Kyiv (UKR)	USSR - Turkey	3 - 0
16/11/1969	FIFA World Cup	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - USSR	1 - 3
15/10/1969	FIFA World Cup	Kyiv (UKR)	USSR - Turkey	3 - 0
12/11/1961	FIFA World Cup	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - USSR	1 - 2
18/06/1961	FIFA World Cup	Moscow (RUS)	USSR - Turkey	1 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	1	0	1	1	3
World Cup	8	0	0	8	2	19
Friendlies	4	1	0	3	2	4

- Turkey failed to score in their last five internationals against the USSR and have prolonged that barren sequence in their two fixtures against Russia.
- Yet to meet competitively, Russia and Turkey have played two friendlies. Russia won both 1-0 – in Bursa in April 1994, when Fatih Terim, as now, was the Turkey head coach, and in Moscow four years later.

**Turkey v Slovakia****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
07/06/2003	UEFA EURO	Bratislava (SVK)	Slovakia - Turkey	0 - 1
07/09/2002	UEFA EURO	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Slovakia	3 - 0
01/09/2001	FIFA World Cup	Bratislava (SVK)	Slovakia - Turkey	0 - 1
24/03/2001	FIFA World Cup	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Slovakia	1 - 1
15/04/1981	FIFA World Cup	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Czechoslovakia	0 - 3
03/12/1980	FIFA World Cup	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Turkey	2 - 0
15/11/1967	UEFA EURO	Ankara (TUR)	Turkey - Czechoslovakia	0 - 0
18/06/1967	UEFA EURO	Bratislava (SVK)	Czechoslovakia - Turkey	3 - 0
21/11/1965	FIFA World Cup	Brno (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Turkey	3 - 1
09/10/1965	FIFA World Cup	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Czechoslovakia	0 - 6

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	2	1	1	4	3
World Cup	6	1	1	4	3	15
Friendlies	5	2	1	2	4	4

- The countries were paired in successive qualifying tournaments at the start of the 21st century. Turkey took four points off Slovakia en route to qualifying for the 2002 FIFA World Cup and all six on the road to UEFA EURO 2004, but missed out on the latter tournament after a surprise play-off defeat by Latvia.
- Slovakia finally beat Turkey at the sixth time of asking when they won a Bursa friendly in February 2012, wingers Vladimír Weiss and Miroslav Stoch scoring the visitors' goals.
- Stoch has since returned to Bursa to play for Turkish Süper Lig club Bursaspor.

**Turkey v Spain****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
01/04/2009	FIFA World Cup	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Spain	1 - 2
28/03/2009	FIFA World Cup	Madrid (ESP)	Spain - Turkey	1 - 0
31/05/1967	UEFA EURO	Bilbao (ESP)	Spain - Turkey	2 - 0
01/02/1967	UEFA EURO	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Spain	0 - 0
17/03/1954	FIFA World Cup	Rome (ITA)	Turkey - Spain	2 - 2
14/03/1954	FIFA World Cup	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Spain	1 - 0
06/01/1954	FIFA World Cup	Madrid (ESP)	Spain - Turkey	4 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	0	1	1	0	2
World Cup	5	1	1	3	5	9
Friendlies	3	0	2	1	0	3

- The countries had not met for 35 years when they were paired together in 2010 FIFA World Cup qualifying. Spain won both games, Gerard Piqué's first international goal giving his team a 1-0 win in Madrid and Albert Riera's added-time strike bringing a 2-1 victory in Istanbul.
- Turkey qualified for the 1954 World Cup in Switzerland by the drawing of lots after their play-off tie against Spain in Rome ended 2-2.
- Turkey captain Arda Turan is registered with Barcelona having spent the past four seasons at Liga rivals Atlético Madrid.

**Turkey v Sweden****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
05/09/2001	FIFA World Cup	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Sweden	1 - 2
07/10/2000	FIFA World Cup	Gothenburg (SWE)	Sweden - Turkey	1 - 1
15/06/2000	UEFA EURO	Eindhoven (NED)	Sweden - Turkey	0 - 0
15/11/1995	UEFA EURO	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Turkey	2 - 2
29/03/1995	UEFA EURO	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Sweden	2 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	3	1	2	0	4	3
World Cup	2	0	1	1	2	3
Friendlies	4	2	1	1	4	4

- Sweden and Turkey drew 0-0 in the group stage of UEFA EURO 2000 in Eindhoven.
- The teams were also paired in 2002 FIFA World Cup qualifying. Sweden took four points from the two matches, Henrik Larsson scoring in both, and won the group. Turkey joined them in Japan/South Korea via a play-off success over Austria and went on to finish third at the finals.
- The teams last met in a March 2014 friendly, Turkey winning 2-1 in Ankara with goals from Mevlüt Erdinç and Olcan Adın. Ola Toivonen replied for the visitors.



## Turkey v Switzerland

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
11/06/2008	UEFA EURO	Basel (SUI)	Switzerland - Turkey	1 - 2
16/11/2005	FIFA World Cup	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Switzerland	4 - 2 (ag, agg: 4-4)
12/11/2005	FIFA World Cup	Berne (SUI)	Switzerland - Turkey	2 - 0
26/04/1995	UEFA EURO	Berne (SUI)	Switzerland - Turkey	1 - 2
14/12/1994	UEFA EURO	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Switzerland	1 - 2
30/04/1975	UEFA EURO	Basel (SUI)	Switzerland - Turkey	1 - 1
01/12/1974	UEFA EURO	Izmir (TUR)	Turkey - Switzerland	2 - 1
18/11/1973	FIFA World Cup	Izmir (TUR)	Turkey - Switzerland	2 - 0
09/05/1973	FIFA World Cup	Basel (SUI)	Switzerland - Turkey	0 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	5	3	1	1	8	6
World Cup	4	2	1	1	6	4
Friendlies	6	3	1	2	7	10

- Turkey defeated co-hosts Switzerland 2-1 in Basel at UEFA EURO 2008 thanks to an added-time winner from Arda Turan, their current captain, after they had trailed at half-time. That was the teams' last meeting.
- The teams' previous encounter, a 2006 FIFA World Cup qualifying play-off in Istanbul, was marred by trouble between opposing players and coaching staff on the pitch and in the tunnel. Switzerland won the tie on the away-goals rule to reach the finals in Germany, despite a second-leg hat-trick from Turkey striker Tuncay Şanlı.
- Switzerland and Turkey qualified for EURO '96 from the same group. It was the first UEFA European Championship finals appearance for both nations.

## Turkey v Ukraine

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
07/09/2005	FIFA World Cup	Kyiv (UKR)	Ukraine - Turkey	0 - 1
17/11/2004	FIFA World Cup	Istanbul (TUR)	Turkey - Ukraine	0 - 3

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	2	1	0	1	1	3
Friendlies	4	3	1	0	8	2

- Yet to meet in the UEFA European Championship, the countries' paths have crossed in only one FIFA World Cup qualifying phase. Ukraine won the group ahead of second-placed Turkey to reach the 2006 finals in Germany.
- Ukraine won the first qualifier 3-0 in Istanbul, Andriy Shevchenko scoring twice, but lost the home fixture 1-0 to a Tümer Metin goal.
- Turkey maintained an unbeaten record against Ukraine in friendlies when they last met, in June 2012 in the German town of Ingolstadt. Caner Erkin and Mustafa Pektemek scored their first international goals in a 2-0 win.

## Republic of Ireland

### Republic of Ireland - Team profile

**Best result:** group stage 1988, 2012

**Coach:** Martin O'Neill

**Leading scorer:** all-time – Robbie Keane (67); current – Robbie Keane (67)

**Most appearances:** all-time – Robbie Keane (143); current – Robbie Keane (143)

**Association formed:** 1921

**Nickname:** Boys in Green

**Where they play:** Dublin Arena

The Republic of Ireland made their major tournament debut in 1988, memorably beating England and only just failing to pip eventual winners the Netherlands to the last four. Englishman Jack Charlton also steered them to the next two FIFA World Cups, the first of them, in Italy, bringing a place in the quarter-finals. A third World Cup was reached in 2002 but Ireland did not return to the UEFA European Championship until 2012, when Giovanni Trapattoni's side lost all three matches in a tough group.

#### EURO pedigree

##### Matches played

**Overall:** P127 W51 D37 L39 F186 A147

**Final tournament:** P6 W1 D1 L4 F3 A11

**Qualifying:** P121 W50 D36 L35 F183 A136

Ireland qualified for their first major tournament in the 1988 UEFA European Championship, opening their campaign with a famous 1-0 win against England thanks to Ray Houghton's early header. They then held the Soviet Union 1-1 and Charlton's side were only edged out for a semi-final place in West Germany by an 82nd-minute goal for the Netherlands.

Ireland narrowly missed out on the final tournament in 1992 and lost play-offs to the Netherlands and Turkey in 1996 and 2000 respectively. They finished third in their qualifying groups for both 2004 and 2008 but made the 2012 finals; beaten to an automatic place by Russia, they defeated Estonia in the play-offs. They had performed consistently throughout, at one point going eight matches (friendlies included) without conceding, establishing a new national record. Trapattoni's side arrived in Poland and Ukraine 14 games unbeaten, but that was soon forgotten as they lost 3-1 to Croatia, 4-0 to Spain and 2-0 to Italy.

#### Memorable EURO matches

##### **08/10/2015: Republic of Ireland 1-0 Germany, UEFA EURO 2016 qualifying**

Martin O'Neill's side beat the reigning world champions thanks to Shane Long's 70th-minute strike.

##### **12/06/1988: England 0-1 Republic of Ireland, 1988 UEFA European Championship group stage**

Houghton's header ensured victory on Ireland's debut at a major tournament.

##### **30/10/1974: Republic of Ireland 3-0 Soviet Union, 1976 UEFA European Championship qualifying**

A Don Givens hat-trick at Dublin's Dalymount Park gave the Irish a memorable triumph.

#### Did you know?

Ireland made the two-legged 1964 quarter-finals but were beaten 7-1 on aggregate by Spain, who were to host and win the four-team finals.

\*Last updated on 18/11/15

## Republic of Ireland - Coach profile

### Martin O'Neill

**Date of birth:** 1 March 1952

**Nationality:** Northern Irish

**Playing career:** Lisburn Distillery FC, Nottingham Forest FC, Norwich City FC (twice), Manchester City FC, Notts County FC, Chesterfield FC, Fulham FC

**Coaching career:** Grantham Town FC, Shepshed Charterhouse FC, Wycombe Wanderers FC, Norwich City FC, Leicester City FC, Celtic FC, Aston Villa FC, Sunderland AFC, Republic of Ireland

- The highlight of Northern Irish international O'Neill's playing career was winning the 1977/78 English title and 1979 and 1980 European Cups under Brian Clough at Nottingham Forest (though he did not play in the first of those finals). He also appeared at the 1982 FIFA World Cup.
- After injury ended O'Neill's career, he entered management with non-league Grantham, Shepshed and Wycombe, whom he led into the Football League for the first time in 1993 and a further promotion the next year.
- He left Wycombe for Norwich in June 1995 but within six months had gone to Leicester, whom he would guide into the Premier League, winning the 1997 and 2000 League Cups to earn two UEFA Cup campaigns.
- O'Neill was appointed by Celtic in summer 2000 and in five years at the helm landed three league titles and three Scottish Cups, the Scottish League Cup completing a 2000/01 treble. He also led them to the 2003 UEFA Cup final.
- Managed Aston Villa between 2006 and 2010, then Sunderland from 2011 to March 2013. O'Neill was appointed Ireland manager, to be assisted by fellow former Forest player Roy Keane, that November, and led the team to UEFA EURO 2016 via a play-off win against Bosnia and Herzegovina.

## Republic of Ireland - Team facts

### EURO record

	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
Overall	127	51	37	39	186	147
Final tournament	6	1	1	4	3	11
Qualifying	121	50	36	35	183	136

### UEFA European Championship records: Republic of Ireland

#### History

2012 – group stage  
 2008 – did not qualify  
 2004 – did not qualify  
 2000 – did not qualify  
 1996 – did not qualify  
 1992 – did not qualify  
 1988 – group stage  
 1984 – did not qualify  
 1980 – did not qualify  
 1976 – did not qualify  
 1972 – did not qualify  
 1968 – did not qualify  
 1964 – quarter-finals  
 1960 – did not qualify

#### Final tournament win

**1-0:** England v Republic of Ireland, 12/06/88

#### Final tournament defeat

**4-0:** Spain v Republic of Ireland, 14/06/12

#### Qualifying win

**8-0:** Republic of Ireland v Malta, 16/11/83

#### Qualifying defeat

**6-0:** Austria v Republic of Ireland, 10/10/71

#### Final tournament appearances

**3:** 23 players

#### Final tournament goals

**1:** Ray Houghton  
**1:** Ronnie Whelan  
**1:** Sean St Ledger

#### Overall appearances

**47:** Robbie Keane  
**40:** John O'Shea  
**39:** Shay Given  
**33:** Aiden McGeady  
**32:** Kevin Kilbane  
**32:** Damien Duff  
**27:** Liam Brady  
**26:** Niall Quinn  
**26:** Frank Stapleton

#### Overall goals

**23:** Robbie Keane  
**10:** Frank Stapleton  
**9:** Don Givens  
**8:** John Aldridge  
**8:** Niall Quinn

**UEFA EURO and FIFA World Cup campaigns**

Season	Competition	Result	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
2016	EURO qualifying	Play-off for Final Tournament	12	6	4	2	22	8
2014	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 4th in group	10	4	2	4	16	17
2012	EURO finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 4th in group	3	0	0	3	1	9
2012	EURO qualifying	Play-off for Final Tournament (qualified)	12	7	4	1	20	8
2010	World Cup qualifying	Play-off for Final Tournament	12	4	7	1	13	10
2008	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	12	4	5	3	17	14
2006	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 4th in group	10	4	5	1	12	5
2004	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	8	3	2	3	10	11
2002	World Cup finals	Round of 16	4	1	3	0	6	3
2002	World Cup qualifying	Play-off for Final Tournament (qualified)	12	8	3	1	25	6
2000	EURO qualifying	Play-off for Final Tournament	10	5	3	2	15	7
1998	World Cup qualifying	Play-off for Final Tournament	12	5	4	3	24	11
1996	EURO qualifying	Play-offs	11	5	2	4	17	13
1994	World Cup finals	Round of 16	4	1	1	2	2	4
1994	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group (qualified)	12	7	4	1	19	6
1992	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 2nd in group	6	2	4	0	13	6
1990	World Cup finals	Quarter-finals	5	0	4	1	2	3
1990	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group (qualified)	8	5	2	1	10	2
1988	EURO finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	3	1	1	1	2	2
1988	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 1st in group (qualified)	8	4	3	1	10	5
1986	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 4th in group	8	2	2	4	5	10
1984	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 3rd in group	8	4	1	3	20	10
1982	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	8	4	2	2	17	11
1980	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 3rd in group	8	2	3	3	9	8
1978	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	4	1	1	2	2	4
1976	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 2nd in group	6	3	1	2	11	5
1974	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	4	1	1	2	4	5
1972	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 4th in group	6	0	1	5	3	17
1970	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 4th in group	6	0	1	5	3	14
1968	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 3rd in group	6	2	1	3	5	8
1966	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	3	1	0	2	2	5
1964	EURO qualifying	Quarter-finals	6	2	2	2	9	12
1962	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	4	0	0	4	3	17
1960	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round	2	1	0	1	2	4
1958	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	4	2	1	1	6	7
1954	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	4	2	0	2	8	6
1950	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	4	1	1	2	6	7
1938	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	2	0	1	1	5	6
1934	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	2	0	1	1	6	9

## Republic of Ireland - Head to head against teams in other pots

### Republic of Ireland v Austria

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
10/09/2013	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Republic of Ireland	1 - 0
26/03/2013	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Austria	2 - 2
06/09/1995	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Republic of Ireland	3 - 1
11/06/1995	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Austria	1 - 3
10/10/1971	UEFA EURO	Linz (AUT)	Austria - Republic of Ireland	6 - 0
30/05/1971	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Austria	1 - 4
13/10/1963	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Austria	3 - 2 (agg: 3-2)
25/09/1963	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Republic of Ireland	0 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	6	1	1	4	6	18
World Cup	2	0	1	1	2	3
Friendlies	6	1	1	4	9	15

- Austria are unbeaten in their last eight matches against the Republic of Ireland, whose most recent win came in October 1963 – 3-2 at Dalymount Park in a qualifier for the 1964 UEFA European Championship.
- The nations' most recent UEFA European Championship meetings came in qualifying for EURO '96. Austria won both matches 3-1, with Peter Stöger scoring a hat-trick in Vienna.
- Austria had the better of two 2014 FIFA World Cup qualifiers against Ireland, David Alaba scoring an added-time equaliser in a 2-2 draw in Dublin – after Jonathan Walters had scored twice for the home side – and then the 84th-minute winner in a 1-0 success in Vienna. Neither team advanced from the group.

### Republic of Ireland v Belgium

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
15/11/1997	FIFA World Cup	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Republic of Ireland	2 - 1 (agg: 3-2)
29/10/1997	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Belgium	1 - 1
29/04/1987	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Belgium	0 - 0
10/09/1986	UEFA EURO	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Republic of Ireland	2 - 2
25/03/1981	FIFA World Cup	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Republic of Ireland	1 - 0
15/10/1980	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Belgium	1 - 1
25/02/1934	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Belgium	4 - 4

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	0	2	0	2	2
World Cup	5	0	3	2	7	9
Friendlies	6	3	0	3	11	14

- Matches between these countries have traditionally been tight, with four of the last six fixtures drawn and Belgium winning the other two by a one-goal margin.
- Two of those draws – 2-2 in Brussels, 0-0 in Dublin – came in qualifying for the 1988 UEFA European Championship as Ireland reached the finals for the first time. There have been no subsequent meetings in this competition.
- The most recent games took place in November 1997 as Belgium defeated Ireland 3-2 on aggregate in a play-off for the 1998 FIFA World Cup. Luc Nilis scored in both legs for the Red Devils.

**Republic of Ireland v Croatia****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
10/06/2012	UEFA EURO	Poznan (POL)	Republic of Ireland - Croatia	1 - 3
04/09/1999	UEFA EURO	Zagreb (CRO)	Croatia - Republic of Ireland	1 - 0
05/09/1998	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Croatia	2 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	3	1	0	2	3	4
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	4	1	3	0	5	4

- The nations were drawn together in the group stage of UEFA EURO 2012, Croatia winning 3-1 in Poznan with two goals from Mario Mandžukić and one by Nikica Jelavić.
- The teams' previous competitive meeting, a vital UEFA EURO 2000 qualifier in Zagreb, was won by Croatia with virtually the last kick of the game as Davor Šuker struck his 42nd international goal to record a 1-0 victory.
- Earlier in the same campaign, Manchester United pair Denis Irwin and Roy Keane scored as the Republic of Ireland triumphed 2-0 in Croatia's first competitive outing after finishing third at the 1998 FIFA World Cup.

**Republic of Ireland v Czech Republic****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
12/09/2007	UEFA EURO	Prague (CZE)	Czech Republic - Republic of Ireland	1 - 0
11/10/2006	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Czech Republic	1 - 1
07/10/1969	FIFA World Cup	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Republic of Ireland	3 - 0
04/05/1969	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Czechoslovakia	1 - 2
22/11/1967	UEFA EURO	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Republic of Ireland	1 - 2
21/05/1967	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Czechoslovakia	0 - 2
29/10/1961	FIFA World Cup	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Republic of Ireland	7 - 1
08/10/1961	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Czechoslovakia	1 - 3
10/05/1959	UEFA EURO	Bratislava (SVK)	Czechoslovakia - Republic of Ireland	4 - 0 (agg: 4-2)
05/04/1959	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Czechoslovakia	2 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	6	2	1	3	5	9
World Cup	4	0	0	4	3	15
Friendlies	10	4	2	4	15	18

- The Czech Republic have met the Republic of Ireland eight times but only twice in competitive fixtures, drawing 1-1 in Dublin and winning 1-0 in Prague en route to qualifying for UEFA EURO 2008.
- After defeats in their first three friendlies against the Czech Republic – one at home, two away – in February 2000 a 19-year-old Robbie Keane struck an 87th-minute winner in Dublin to give Ireland a 3-2 victory.

- The teams last met in the Irish capital in February 2012, Simon Cox scoring late on to equalise Milan Baroš's earlier strike. That was the Czech striker's 40th, and penultimate, international goal.

## Republic of Ireland v England

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
27/03/1991	UEFA EURO	London (ENG)	England - Republic of Ireland	1 - 1
14/11/1990	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - England	1 - 1
11/06/1990	FIFA World Cup	Cagliari (ITA)	England - Republic of Ireland	1 - 1
12/06/1988	UEFA EURO	Stuttgart (GER)	England - Republic of Ireland	0 - 1
06/02/1980	UEFA EURO	London (ENG)	England - Republic of Ireland	2 - 0
25/10/1978	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - England	1 - 1
19/05/1957	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - England	1 - 1
08/05/1957	FIFA World Cup	London (ENG)	England - Republic of Ireland	5 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	5	1	3	1	4	5
World Cup	3	0	2	1	3	7
Friendlies	7	1	3	3	6	8

- The Republic of Ireland's major tournament debut came against England at the 1988 UEFA European Championship, and it proved memorable as Ray Houghton scored the only goal of the game in Stuttgart. That remains Ireland's only competitive win against England in eight attempts.
- The teams also met at the start of the 1990 FIFA World Cup group stage, drawing 1-1 on a windswept night in Cagliari before two further 1-1 draws on the road to EURO '92. On each occasion, England finished above Ireland to win the group.
- There have also been draws in two recent friendlies – 1-1 at Wembley in May 2013 and 0-0 in Dublin in June 2015 – meaning exactly half of the 16 encounters between the rivals have ended all square. Neither side has managed more than one goal in the fixture since Gary Lineker scored the first of his 48 goals for England in a 2-1 triumph at Wembley in March 1985.
- Most of the Republic of Ireland squad play their club football in the English Premier League.



**Republic of Ireland v France****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
18/11/2009	FIFA World Cup	Saint-Denis (FRA)	France - Republic of Ireland	1 - 1 (aet, agg: 2-1)
14/11/2009	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - France	0 - 1
07/09/2005	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - France	0 - 1
09/10/2004	FIFA World Cup	Saint-Denis (FRA)	France - Republic of Ireland	0 - 0
14/10/1981	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - France	3 - 2
28/10/1980	FIFA World Cup	Paris (FRA)	France - Republic of Ireland	2 - 0
30/03/1977	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - France	1 - 0
17/11/1976	FIFA World Cup	Paris (FRA)	France - Republic of Ireland	2 - 0
19/05/1973	FIFA World Cup	Paris (FRA)	France - Republic of Ireland	1 - 1
15/11/1972	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - France	2 - 1
25/11/1953	FIFA World Cup	Paris (FRA)	France - Republic of Ireland	1 - 0
04/10/1953	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - France	3 - 5

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	12	3	3	6	11	17
Friendlies	4	1	3	0	3	1

- France and the Republic of Ireland have not met since the play-offs for the 2010 FIFA World Cup, when Les Bleus edged their way to the finals in South Africa 2-1 on aggregate after extra time at the Stade de France. Robbie Keane equalised Nicolas Anelka's first-leg winner in Dublin before an extra-time clincher from William Gallas proved decisive.
- France are unbeaten in their last five games against Ireland, with that Keane goal in Saint-Denis the only one they have conceded during that sequence.
- Although the countries have met 12 times in World Cup qualifying matches – with France winning six of those games and Ireland three – they have yet to cross paths in the UEFA European Championship.

**Republic of Ireland v Germany****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
08/10/2015	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Germany	1 - 0
14/10/2014	UEFA EURO	Gelsenkirchen (GER)	Germany - Republic of Ireland	1 - 1
11/10/2013	FIFA World Cup	Cologne (GER)	Germany - Republic of Ireland	3 - 0
12/10/2012	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Germany	1 - 6
13/10/2007	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Germany	0 - 0
02/09/2006	UEFA EURO	Stuttgart (GER)	Germany - Republic of Ireland	1 - 0
05/06/2002	FIFA World Cup	Ibaraki (JPN)	Germany - Republic of Ireland	1 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	1	2	1	2	2
World Cup	3	0	1	2	2	10
Friendlies	13	5	2	6	20	23

- Beaten 9-2 overall by Germany in their two 2014 FIFA World Cup qualifiers, Ireland recovered under Martin O'Neill to get the better of the world champions in UEFA EURO 2016 qualifying. A last-gasp equaliser from defender John O'Shea on his 100th appearance gave Ireland a 1-1 draw in Gelsenkirchen, O'Neill's charges then beating Joachim Löw's side 1-0 in Dublin with a Shane Long strike. Germany nevertheless topped the group while

Ireland finished third.

- The teams also met during qualifying for UEFA EURO 2008, Germany winning 1-0 at home with a goal from Lukas Podolski. A 0-0 draw in Dublin made them the first nation to secure their finals place alongside hosts Austria and Switzerland.

- Their only meeting at a major tournament came at the 2002 World Cup, the first competitive match between the nations. A late Robbie Keane equaliser in Kashima cancelled out Miroslav Klose's goal.

## Republic of Ireland v Hungary

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
04/06/1989	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Hungary	2 - 0
08/03/1989	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Hungary - Republic of Ireland	0 - 0
05/11/1969	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Hungary - Republic of Ireland	4 - 0
08/06/1969	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Hungary	1 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	4	1	1	2	3	6
Friendlies	6	1	3	2	13	15

- Hungary and Ireland have never met in a UEFA European Championship match.

- The nations' last competitive fixture was a qualifier for the 1990 FIFA World Cup, Ireland winning 2-0 in Dublin with goals from Paul McGrath and Tony Cascarino en route to reaching the finals for the first time. Three months earlier the teams drew 0-0 in Budapest.

- There were no goals when the sides last met – in a Budapest friendly that Ireland used as their final warm-up game prior to UEFA EURO 2012.

## Republic of Ireland v Italy

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
18/06/2012	UEFA EURO	Poznan (POL)	Italy - Republic of Ireland	2 - 0
10/10/2009	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Italy	2 - 2
01/04/2009	FIFA World Cup	Bari (ITA)	Italy - Republic of Ireland	1 - 1
18/06/1994	FIFA World Cup	New Jersey (USA)	Italy - Republic of Ireland	0 - 1
30/06/1990	FIFA World Cup	Rome (ITA)	Republic of Ireland - Italy	0 - 1
10/05/1971	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Italy	1 - 2
08/12/1970	UEFA EURO	Florence (ITA)	Italy - Republic of Ireland	3 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	3	0	0	3	1	7
World Cup	4	1	2	1	4	4
Friendlies	6	1	1	4	4	9

- The teams met at UEFA EURO 2012 in Poznan – their first UEFA European Championship final tournament encounter – Cesare Prandelli's Italy overcoming Giovanni Trapattoni's Republic of Ireland 2-0 thanks to goals from Antonio Cassano and Mario Balotelli.

- It was the fourth time that Trapattoni had led Ireland against his compatriots and his first defeat after two 2010 FIFA World Cup qualifying draws and a 2-0 friendly win in Liege.

- A Salvatore Schillaci strike in Rome was enough for Italy to beat Ireland in the quarter-finals of the 1990 World Cup. Four years later Ireland defeated the Azzurri by the same scoreline during the group stage courtesy of a Ray Houghton goal.

- The countries also crossed paths on the road to the 1972 UEFA European Championship, Italy winning 3-0 at home and 2-1 away, with Roberto Boninsegna and Pierino Prati on target in both games.

## Republic of Ireland v Poland

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
11/10/2015	UEFA EURO	Warsaw (POL)	Poland - Republic of Ireland	2 - 1
29/03/2015	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Poland	1 - 1
16/10/1991	UEFA EURO	Poznan (POL)	Poland - Republic of Ireland	3 - 3
01/05/1991	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Poland	0 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	0	3	1	5	6
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	24	6	8	10	26	39

• Poland defeated the Republic of Ireland 2-1 in Warsaw in their final game to qualify directly for UEFA EURO 2016. Grzegorz Krychowiak and Robert Lewandowski – with his record-equalling 13th goal of the competition (matching David Healy's 2008 mark for Northern Ireland) – scored for the home side, a Jonathan Walters penalty providing the consolation for the visitors.

• The Group D qualifier in Dublin ended 1-1 when an added-time Shane Long strike cancelled out Sławomir Peszko's first-half effort.

• The only other competitive fixtures between the nations came in qualifying for EURO '92. A goalless stalemate in Dublin and a 3-3 draw in Poznan left both nations behind sole group qualifiers England.

## Republic of Ireland v Portugal

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
02/06/2001	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Portugal	1 - 1
07/10/2000	FIFA World Cup	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Republic of Ireland	1 - 1
15/11/1995	UEFA EURO	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Republic of Ireland	3 - 0
26/04/1995	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Portugal	1 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	1	0	1	1	3
World Cup	2	0	2	0	2	2
Friendlies	9	3	0	6	7	15

• It is over 20 years since the nations last crossed swords in the UEFA European Championship. In November 1995 Portugal defeated the Republic of Ireland 3-0 in Lisbon – with the help of a stunning long-range chip from Rui Costa – to qualify for EURO '96.

• The teams traded 1-1 draws in qualifying for the 2002 FIFA World Cup, both progressing to the finals. Ireland went through via a play-off after Portugal had pipped Mick McCarthy's side to top spot on goal difference.

• Martin O'Neill was in charge when the nations last met, in June 2014. Portugal ran out emphatic 5-1 winners in a New Jersey friendly, Hugo Almeida scoring twice.

**Republic of Ireland v Romania****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
11/10/1997	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Romania	1 - 1
30/04/1997	FIFA World Cup	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Republic of Ireland	1 - 0
25/06/1990	FIFA World Cup	Genoa (ITA)	Republic of Ireland - Romania	0 - 0 (5-4p)

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	3	0	2	1	1	2
Friendlies	2	2	0	0	3	0

- The Republic of Ireland defeated Romania 5-4 on penalties after a 0-0 draw in Genoa to reach the 1990 FIFA World Cup quarter-finals. It is the nations' only final tournament meeting to date.
- Current Romania head coach Anghel Iordănescu was in charge when Romania finished ten points ahead of Ireland in their 1998 World Cup qualifying group. A 1-0 home win was followed by a 1-1 draw in Dublin – the only points Romania dropped in the section – when Tony Cascarino scored a late equaliser following Gheorghe Hagi's stunning long-range strike.
- Only one encounter has taken place since then, a May 2004 friendly in Dublin which Ireland won 1-0.

**Republic of Ireland v Russia****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
06/09/2011	UEFA EURO	Moscow (RUS)	Russia - Republic of Ireland	0 - 0
08/10/2010	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Russia	2 - 3
06/09/2003	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Russia	1 - 1
07/09/2002	UEFA EURO	Moscow (RUS)	Russia - Republic of Ireland	4 - 2
15/06/1988	UEFA EURO	Hanover (GER)	Republic of Ireland - USSR	1 - 1
16/10/1985	FIFA World Cup	Moscow (RUS)	USSR - Republic of Ireland	2 - 0
12/09/1984	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - USSR	1 - 0
18/05/1975	UEFA EURO	Kyiv (UKR)	USSR - Republic of Ireland	2 - 1
30/10/1974	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - USSR	3 - 0
13/05/1973	FIFA World Cup	Moscow (RUS)	USSR - Republic of Ireland	1 - 0
18/10/1972	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - USSR	1 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	7	1	3	3	10	11
World Cup	4	1	0	3	2	5
Friendlies	4	2	1	1	3	2

- The teams met in UEFA EURO 2012 qualifying, Russia winning 3-2 in Dublin through goals from Aleksandr Kerzhakov, Alan Dzagoev and Roman Shirokov. They then drew 0-0 in Moscow to top the group; runners-up Ireland qualified via the play-offs.
- Russia also took four points off Ireland during UEFA EURO 2004 qualifying. Kerzhakov was again among the scorers in a 4-2 home win, Sergei Ignashevich getting the equaliser in the subsequent 1-1 draw in Dublin.
- Ireland's only victory in seven meetings came in February 2002 in a Dublin friendly, Robbie Keane scoring the second goal in a 2-0 win.

**Republic of Ireland v Slovakia****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
02/09/2011	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Slovakia	0 - 0
12/10/2010	UEFA EURO	Zilina (SVK)	Slovakia - Republic of Ireland	1 - 1
08/09/2007	UEFA EURO	Bratislava (SVK)	Slovakia - Republic of Ireland	2 - 2
28/03/2007	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Slovakia	1 - 0
07/10/1969	FIFA World Cup	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Republic of Ireland	3 - 0
04/05/1969	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Czechoslovakia	1 - 2
22/11/1967	UEFA EURO	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Republic of Ireland	1 - 2
21/05/1967	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Czechoslovakia	0 - 2
29/10/1961	FIFA World Cup	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Republic of Ireland	7 - 1
08/10/1961	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Czechoslovakia	1 - 3
10/05/1959	UEFA EURO	Bratislava (SVK)	Czechoslovakia - Republic of Ireland	4 - 0 (agg: 4-2)
05/04/1959	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Czechoslovakia	2 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	8	3	3	2	8	10
World Cup	4	0	0	4	3	15
Friendlies	4	2	1	1	7	7

- The countries met in successive UEFA European Championship qualifying campaigns, for 2008 and 2012.
- Three of those four matches ended in draws, the exception being the first game in March 2007, which the Republic of Ireland won 1-0 in Dublin with a Kevin Doyle strike.
- Miroslav Karhan became the first Slovakian player to reach 100 caps in the 1-1 draw at home to Ireland in October 2010.

**Republic of Ireland v Spain****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
14/06/2012	UEFA EURO	Gdansk (POL)	Spain - Republic of Ireland	4 - 0
16/06/2002	FIFA World Cup	Suwon (KOR)	Spain - Republic of Ireland	1 - 1 (3-2p)
13/10/1993	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Spain	1 - 3
18/11/1992	FIFA World Cup	Seville (ESP)	Spain - Republic of Ireland	0 - 0
26/04/1989	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Spain	1 - 0
16/11/1988	FIFA World Cup	Seville (ESP)	Spain - Republic of Ireland	2 - 0
27/04/1983	UEFA EURO	Zaragoza (ESP)	Spain - Republic of Ireland	2 - 0
17/11/1982	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Spain	3 - 3
07/12/1966	UEFA EURO	Valencia (ESP)	Spain - Republic of Ireland	2 - 0
23/10/1966	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Spain	0 - 0
10/11/1965	FIFA World Cup	Paris (FRA)	Spain - Republic of Ireland	1 - 0
27/10/1965	FIFA World Cup	Seville (ESP)	Spain - Republic of Ireland	4 - 1
05/05/1965	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Spain	1 - 0
08/04/1964	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Spain	0 - 2 (agg: 1-7)
11/03/1964	UEFA EURO	Seville (ESP)	Spain - Republic of Ireland	5 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	7	0	2	5	4	18
World Cup	8	2	2	4	5	11
Friendlies	11	2	3	6	9	25

- Spain beat the Republic of Ireland 4-0 in the group stage of UEFA EURO 2012 during their successful defence of the trophy. Fernando Torres scored twice in Gdansk, David Silva and Cesc Fàbregas getting the other goals.
- The nations' only previous major tournament contest came in the 2002 FIFA World Cup last 16, Spain going through on penalties after a 1-1 draw in which Robbie Keane scored a 90th-minute equaliser.
- Spain and Ireland qualified together for successive World Cups, in 1990 and 1994, from the same group.

**Republic of Ireland v Sweden****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
06/09/2013	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Sweden	1 - 2
22/03/2013	FIFA World Cup	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Republic of Ireland	0 - 0
28/10/1970	UEFA EURO	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Republic of Ireland	1 - 0
14/10/1970	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Sweden	1 - 1
13/11/1949	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Sweden	1 - 3
02/06/1949	FIFA World Cup	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Republic of Ireland	3 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	0	1	1	1	2
World Cup	4	0	1	3	3	8
Friendlies	4	3	0	1	9	6

- The teams were drawn together in the same qualifying group for the 2014 FIFA World Cup. Sweden came from behind to win 2-1 in Dublin, with goals from Johan Elmander and Anders Svensson, after drawing 0-0 in Solna, yet neither country made it to Brazil.
- Those were their first competitive meetings for 43 years. Sweden also had the better of their EURO '72 qualifiers,

drawing 1-1 away and winning 1-0 in Solna thanks to a goal from Tom Turesson.

- Team-mates in the English Premier League include Martin Olsson and Wes Hoolahan at Norwich City, with Sebastian Larsson and Ola Toivonen playing alongside Ireland captain John O'Shea at Sunderland.

## Republic of Ireland v Switzerland

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
12/10/2005	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Switzerland	0 - 0
08/09/2004	FIFA World Cup	Basel (SUI)	Switzerland - Republic of Ireland	1 - 1
11/10/2003	UEFA EURO	Basel (SUI)	Switzerland - Republic of Ireland	2 - 0
16/10/2002	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Switzerland	1 - 2
11/09/1985	FIFA World Cup	Berne (SUI)	Switzerland - Republic of Ireland	0 - 0
02/06/1985	FIFA World Cup	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Switzerland	3 - 0
21/05/1975	UEFA EURO	Berne (SUI)	Switzerland - Republic of Ireland	1 - 0
10/05/1975	UEFA EURO	Dublin (IRL)	Republic of Ireland - Switzerland	2 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	1	0	3	3	6
World Cup	4	1	3	0	4	1
Friendlies	7	5	0	2	10	3

- The Republic of Ireland triumphed in the first UEFA European Championship encounter between the sides back in May 1975, but Switzerland have won the three since, including a double in UEFA EURO 2004 qualifying.
- The nations have not met in the last decade, their last encounters coming in 2006 FIFA World Cup qualifying. Switzerland drew their final fixture 0-0 in Dublin – after a 1-1 draw in Basel – to eliminate Ireland and finish as group runners-up behind France, eventually qualifying for Germany via the play-offs.
- Switzerland midfielder Xherdan Shaqiri is a club colleague of Ireland trio Jonathan Walters, Shay Given and Glenn Whelan at Stoke City.

## Republic of Ireland v Ukraine

No previous meetings

- The Republic of Ireland and Ukraine have never met.
- The USSR team that drew 1-1 with Ireland in a EURO '88 group game featured eight Dynamo Kyiv players, including scorer Oleh Protasov, and was coached by Ukrainian Valeriy Lobanovskiy.

 **Iceland****Iceland - Team profile**

**Best result:** never previously qualified

**Coach:** Lars Lagerbäck/Heimir Hallgrímsson

**Leading scorers:** all-time – Eidur Gudjohnsen (25); current – Eidur Gudjohnsen (25)

**Most appearances:** all-time – Rúnar Kristinsson (104); current – Eidur Gudjohnsen (81)

**Association formed:** 1947

**Nickname:** Strákarnir okkar (Our boys)

**Where they play:** Laugardalsvöllur, Reykjavik

A team on the rise, constructed on the foundations of the talented Under-21 squad that qualified for the 2011 UEFA European Championship in Denmark, Iceland made history by reaching the qualifying play-offs for the 2014 FIFA World Cup. Led by former long-serving Sweden head coach Lars Lagerbäck they finished second in their qualifying group, missing out on a place in Brazil after a 2-0 aggregate defeat by Croatia. It was their best ever performance in a major competition, eclipsing their valiant effort to qualify for UEFA EURO 2000 when only a last-day 3-2 defeat in France eliminated them – but even better was to follow as Iceland claimed second place in UEFA EURO 2016 qualifying Group A to reach a major tournament for the first time.

**EURO pedigree****Matches played**

**Overall:** P96 W24 D17 L55 F81 A146

**Final tournament:** P0 W0 D0 L0 F0 A0

**Qualifying:** P96 W24 D17 L55 F81 A146

Iceland were slow to make an impression in UEFA European Championship qualifying, failing to record a victory in the 1964 preliminaries. Having not entered in 1968 and 1972 they earned just two wins in their next three campaigns, though the shock 2-1 defeat of East Germany in Reykjavik in 1975 hinted at their potential.

Iceland's recent history reads much better. Ahead of UEFA EURO 2000 they recorded four wins as they amassed 15 points to run France, Ukraine and Russia close. Four years later they were even closer, missing out on the play-offs by a solitary point after winning half their eight fixtures. They finished second bottom of their UEFA EURO 2008 and 2012 qualifying groups.

**Memorable EURO matches****09/09/2014: Iceland 3-0 Turkey, UEFA EURO 2016 qualifying**

Iceland opened their campaign with a ruthless display against ten-man Turkey in Reykjavik.

**03/09/2015: Netherlands 0-1 Iceland, UEFA EURO 2016 qualifying**

Gylfi Sigurdsson's 51st-minute penalty completed the double over the Dutch and left Iceland on the brink of the finals.

**05/06/1975: Iceland 2-1 East Germany, 1976 UEFA European Championship qualifying**

Iceland's first EURO qualifying win was a big scalp, ultimately barring East Germany's progress.

**Did you know?**

Striker Eidur Gudjohnsen, then 17, came on for his father Arnór in Iceland's 3-0 friendly win against Estonia in Tallinn on 24 April 1996 – the first time that a father and son had featured as players in the same international match.

\*Last updated on 18/11/15



## Iceland - Coach profile

### Lars Lagerbäck/Heimir Hallgrímsson

#### Lagerbäck

**Date of birth:** 16 July 1948

**Nationality:** Swedish

**Playing career:** Alby FF, Gimonäs CK

**Coaching career:** Kilafors IF, Arbrå BK, Hudiksvalls ABK, Sweden (youth sides), Sweden, Nigeria, Iceland

- A lower-league player, Lagerbäck began his coaching career in 1977 with Kilafors, joining the Swedish Football Association (SvFF) as a youth coach after spells with two other modest club sides Arbrå and Hudiksvall.
- Coached the national Under-21 and B teams until Tommy Söderberg took him on as his assistant with the senior national squad in 1998.
- Söderberg and Lagerbäck managed Sweden in tandem from 2000, reaching UEFA EURO 2000, the 2002 FIFA World Cup and the quarter-finals of UEFA EURO 2004; following Söderberg's departure, Lagerbäck took the troops to the 2006 World Cup and UEFA EURO 2008 single-handed.
- Stepped down after failing to lead Sweden to the 2010 World Cup finals, but ended up travelling to that tournament as coach of Nigeria.
- Appointed Iceland boss in October 2011, he steered the side to the 2014 World Cup play-offs where they lost to Croatia. Agreed a new contract that would mean he hands over the reins to assistant Heimir Hallgrímsson at the end of the UEFA EURO 2016 campaign – and promptly guided Iceland to their first ever major tournament.

#### Hallgrímsson

**Date of birth:** 10 June 1967

**Nationality:** Icelandic

- Formerly Lagerbäck's assistant, Hallgrímsson was promoted to the joint coaching role following the 2014 FIFA World Cup qualifying campaign. Hallgrímsson, who coached ÍBV Vestmannaeyjar between 2006 and 2011, will take sole charge after Iceland's UEFA EURO 2016 campaign.

## Iceland - Team facts

### EURO record

	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
Overall	96	24	17	55	81	146
Qualifying	96	24	17	55	81	146
Final tournament	-	-	-	-	-	-

### UEFA European Championship records: Iceland

#### History

2012 – did not qualify  
 2008 – did not qualify  
 2004 – did not qualify  
 2000 – did not qualify  
 1996 – did not qualify  
 1992 – did not qualify  
 1988 – did not qualify  
 1984 – did not qualify  
 1980 – did not qualify  
 1976 – did not qualify  
 1972 – did not participate  
 1968 – did not participate  
 1964 – did not qualify  
 1960 – did not participate

#### EURO qualifying win

**3-0:** seven times, most recently v Kazakhstan, 28/03/15

#### EURO qualifying loss

**0-6:** Iceland v East Germany, 03/06/87

#### Overall appearances

**29:** Rúnar Kristinsson  
**28:** Atli Edvaldsson  
**27:** Hermann Hreidarsson  
**27:** Eidur Gudjohnsen  
**25:** Arnór Gudjohnsen

#### Overall goals

**10:** Eidur Gudjohnsen  
**7:** Gylfi Sigurdsson  
**5:** Atli Edvaldsson  
**4:** Eyjólfur Sverrisson  
**4:** Kolbeinn Sigthórsson  
**3:** Heidar Helguson  
**3:** Hermann Hreidarsson

### UEFA EURO and FIFA World Cup campaigns

Season	Competition	Result	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
2016	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	10	6	2	2	17	6
2014	World Cup qualifying	Play-off for Final Tournament	12	5	3	4	17	17
2012	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 4th in group	8	1	1	6	6	14
2010	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 5th in group	8	1	2	5	7	13
2008	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 6th in group	12	2	2	8	10	27
2006	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 5th in group	10	1	1	8	14	27
2004	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	8	4	1	3	11	9
2002	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 4th in group	10	4	1	5	14	20

**UEFA EURO and FIFA World Cup campaigns**

2000	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 4th in group	10	4	3	3	12	7
1998	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 5th in group	10	2	3	5	11	16
1996	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 5th in group	8	1	2	5	3	12
1994	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	8	3	2	3	7	6
1992	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 4th in group	8	2	0	6	7	10
1990	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 5th in group	8	1	4	3	6	11
1988	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 4th in group	8	2	2	4	4	14
1986	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 4th in group	6	1	0	5	4	10
1984	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 4th in group	8	1	1	6	3	13
1982	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 4th in group	8	2	2	4	10	21
1980	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 5th in group	8	0	0	8	2	21
1978	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 4th in group	6	1	0	5	2	12
1976	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 4th in group	6	1	2	3	3	8
1974	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 4th in group	6	0	0	6	2	29
1964	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round	2	0	1	1	3	5
1958	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	4	0	0	4	6	26

## Iceland - Head to head against teams in other pots

### Iceland v Austria

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
23/08/1989	FIFA World Cup	Salzburg (AUT)	Austria - Iceland	2 - 1
14/06/1989	FIFA World Cup	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Austria	0 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	2	0	1	1	1	2
Friendlies	1	0	1	0	1	1

- Austria are undefeated in their three meetings with Iceland although they were held 1-1 in an Innsbruck friendly staged in May 2014. Marcel Sabitzer put Austria ahead before Kolbeinn Sigthórsson equalised. The current head coaches of the two nations, Marcel Koller and Lars Lagerbäck/Heimir Hallgrímsson, were in charge for that game.
- The only two competitive internationals between the two countries came 26 years ago, a 0-0 draw in Reykjavik and a 2-1 win in Salzburg helping Austria qualify for the 1990 FIFA World Cup.
- Austria's Marc Janko and Iceland's Birkir Bjarnason are club colleagues at Swiss side Basel.

### Iceland v Belgium

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
03/09/1977	FIFA World Cup	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Iceland	4 - 0
05/09/1976	FIFA World Cup	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Belgium	0 - 1
06/09/1975	UEFA EURO	Liege (BEL)	Belgium - Iceland	1 - 0
08/09/1974	UEFA EURO	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Belgium	0 - 2
22/05/1972	FIFA World Cup	Bruges (BEL)	Iceland - Belgium	0 - 4
18/05/1972	FIFA World Cup	Liege (BEL)	Belgium - Iceland	4 - 0
04/09/1957	FIFA World Cup	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Belgium	2 - 5
05/06/1957	FIFA World Cup	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Iceland	8 - 3

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	0	0	2	0	3
World Cup	6	0	0	6	5	26
Friendlies	1	0	0	1	1	3

- Belgium have defeated Iceland in all nine of their meetings.
- Regular qualifying opponents during the 1970s, when Iceland failed to score in all six matches against Belgium.
- After a gap of 37 years the teams came face to face again in a November 2014 friendly. Belgium maintained their perfect record with a 3-1 Brussels win thanks to goals from Nicolas Lombaerts, Divock Origi and Romelu Lukaku; Iceland's reply came from Alfred Finnbogason.

**Iceland v Croatia****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
19/11/2013	FIFA World Cup	Zagreb (CRO)	Croatia - Iceland	2 - 0 (agg: 2-0)
15/11/2013	FIFA World Cup	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Croatia	0 - 0
03/09/2005	FIFA World Cup	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Croatia	1 - 3
26/03/2005	FIFA World Cup	Zagreb (CRO)	Croatia - Iceland	4 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	4	0	1	3	1	9
Friendlies	-	-	-	-	-	-

- Croatia qualified at Iceland's expense for the 2014 FIFA World Cup, defeating them 2-0 at home in the second leg of the play-offs. The goals came from Mario Mandžukić and Darijo Srna, after a 0-0 draw in Reykjavik.
- The nations had met previously in the qualifying competition for the 2006 World Cup, Croatia comfortably winning both matches – 4-0 in Zagreb and 3-1 in Reykjavik, where Srna was among the scorers.
- The teams have been paired together again in 2018 World Cup qualifying.

**Iceland v Czech Republic****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
12/06/2015	UEFA EURO	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Czech Republic	2 - 1
16/11/2014	UEFA EURO	Pizen (CZE)	Czech Republic - Iceland	2 - 1
01/09/2001	FIFA World Cup	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Czech Republic	3 - 1
07/10/2000	FIFA World Cup	Teplice (CZE)	Czech Republic - Iceland	4 - 0
05/06/1991	UEFA EURO	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Czechoslovakia	0 - 1
26/09/1990	UEFA EURO	Košice (SVK)	Czechoslovakia - Iceland	1 - 0
23/09/1981	FIFA World Cup	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Czechoslovakia	1 - 1
27/05/1981	FIFA World Cup	Bratislava (SVK)	Czechoslovakia - Iceland	6 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	1	0	3	3	5
World Cup	4	1	1	2	5	12
Friendlies	2	0	0	2	2	4

- The Czech Republic and Iceland qualified for UEFA EURO 2016 from the same group, the Czechs taking top spot two points ahead of their second-placed rivals. The teams each came from a goal down to beat the other 2-1 at home; both also did the double over group top seeds the Netherlands.
- The two nations' only previous qualifying campaign in the same group, for the 2002 FIFA World Cup, ended with disappointment for both. Iceland finished fourth and runners-up the Czech Republic lost their play-off against Belgium. The head-to-head fixtures were both won by the home team.
- Iceland lost four and drew one of their five games against Czechoslovakia.

**Iceland v England**

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	2	0	1	1	2	7

- England first met Iceland in a warm-up game for the 1982 FIFA World Cup, drawing 1-1 in Reykjavik. Paul Goddard scored for the visitors and Arnór Gudjohnsen was on target for the hosts.
- The only other meeting took place at the City of Manchester Stadium in a pre-UEFA EURO 2004 friendly, England running out 6-1 winners as Wayne Rooney and Darius Vassell both registered twice.
- Gylfi Sigurdsson, Iceland's six-goal top scorer in UEFA EURO 2016 qualifying, plays in the English Premier League with Swansea City.

## Iceland v France

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
09/10/1999	UEFA EURO	Saint-Denis (FRA)	France - Iceland	3 - 2
05/09/1998	UEFA EURO	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - France	1 - 1
20/11/1991	UEFA EURO	Paris (FRA)	France - Iceland	3 - 1
05/09/1990	UEFA EURO	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - France	1 - 2
29/04/1987	UEFA EURO	Paris (FRA)	France - Iceland	2 - 0
10/09/1986	UEFA EURO	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - France	0 - 0
03/09/1975	UEFA EURO	Nantes (FRA)	France - Iceland	3 - 0
25/05/1975	UEFA EURO	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - France	0 - 0
01/09/1957	FIFA World Cup	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - France	1 - 5
02/06/1957	FIFA World Cup	Nantes (FRA)	France - Iceland	8 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	8	0	3	5	5	14
World Cup	2	0	0	2	1	13
Friendlies	1	0	0	1	2	3

- Iceland are still seeking a first victory after 11 matches against France, who have won eight of them.
- Ten of the fixtures have been qualifying games, the last eight in the UEFA European Championship. The most memorable was the most recent as France triumphed 3-2 in Saint-Denis, David Trezeguet scoring the winner after Iceland had recovered a 2-0 deficit, to book their place at UEFA EURO 2000.
- The only friendly between the two countries took place in Valenciennes in May 2012, this time France coming back from two goals down to claim another 3-2 victory. Adil Rami settled matters in the 87th minute.
- Kolbeinn Sigthórsson, who registered for Iceland in that Valenciennes friendly, plays his club football in France with Nantes.

## Iceland v Germany

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
11/10/2003	UEFA EURO	Hamburg (GER)	Germany - Iceland	3 - 0
06/09/2003	UEFA EURO	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Germany	0 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	0	1	1	0	3
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	2	0	0	2	1	8

- Iceland held Germany to a goalless draw at the Laugardalsvöllur in the countries' first competitive encounter in September 2003. Rudi Völler's side won 3-0 in the return fixture in Hamburg the following month en route to qualifying for UEFA EURO 2004.
- The nations have not met since then, and that Hamburg contest remains their only game on German soil.
- Germany eliminated Lars Lagerbäck's Sweden from the 2006 FIFA World Cup with a 2-0 victory in the round of

16.

**Iceland v Hungary****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
04/06/2005	FIFA World Cup	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Hungary	2 - 3
08/09/2004	FIFA World Cup	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - Iceland	3 - 2
11/11/1995	UEFA EURO	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - Iceland	1 - 0
11/06/1995	UEFA EURO	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Hungary	2 - 1
16/06/1993	FIFA World Cup	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Hungary	2 - 0
03/06/1992	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Hungary - Iceland	1 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	1	0	1	2	2
World Cup	4	2	0	2	8	7
Friendlies	4	0	0	4	0	12

- The nations have met six times in qualifying tournaments, Iceland winning the first three games and Hungary the last three.
- Friendlies included, there has never been a draw between the countries in ten encounters.
- The only meeting during the past decade, a Budapest friendly in August 2011, resulted in a resounding 4-0 win for Hungary, with current skipper Balázs Dzsudzsák among the scorers. It was Hungary's fifth successive victory over Iceland.

**Iceland v Italy**

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	2	1	1	0	2	0

- There have been just two matches between Iceland and Italy, both friendlies, Iceland winning one and drawing the other.
- The teams first met in Reykjavik in August 2004, and a record crowd of 20,204 saw Iceland win 2-0 with goals from Eidur Gudjohnsen and Gylfi Einarsson in what was Marcello Lippi's debut as Italy head coach. Another friendly the following year, in Padova, ended goalless.
- Iceland midfielder Emil Hallfredsson plays in Italy's Serie A with Hellas Verona.

**Iceland v Poland****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
10/10/1979	UEFA EURO	Krakow (POL)	Poland - Iceland	2 - 0
06/09/1978	UEFA EURO	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Poland	0 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	0	0	2	0	4
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	4	0	1	3	5	9

- Poland defeated Iceland 4-2 in a Warsaw friendly in November 2015, captain Robert Lewandowski scoring two late goals to give the hosts a win that stretched their unbeaten record against their opponents to six matches.
- There have been just two competitive matches between the countries – both won 2-0 by Poland in qualifying for

EURO '80.

- Poland goalkeeper Łukasz Fabiański is a club colleague of Iceland's Gylfi Sigurdsson at Swansea City.

### Iceland v Portugal

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
07/10/2011	UEFA EURO	Porto (POR)	Portugal - Iceland	5 - 3
12/10/2010	UEFA EURO	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Portugal	1 - 3

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	0	0	2	4	8
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	-	-	-	-	-	-

- Iceland and Portugal had never met until they were drawn together in qualifying for UEFA EURO 2012.
- Portugal won both matches, Cristiano Ronaldo leading the way in a 3-1 victory in Reykjavik and Nani scoring twice in a 5-3 triumph in the Porto return.
- Portugal striker Éder and Iceland midfielder Gylfi Sigurdsson are team-mates at Swansea City.

### Iceland v Romania

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
10/09/1997	FIFA World Cup	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Iceland	4 - 0
09/10/1996	FIFA World Cup	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Romania	0 - 4

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	2	0	0	2	0	8
Friendlies	-	-	-	-	-	-

- Romania defeated Iceland 4-0 home and away in qualifying for the 1998 FIFA World Cup, Gheorghe Hagi scoring three of their eight goals.
- The nations had not met before those fixtures and have not played since.
- Iceland's Ólafur Skúlason and Romania's Bogdan Stancu play together in the Turkish Süper Lig at Gençlerbirliği.



**Iceland v Russia****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
09/06/1999	UEFA EURO	Moscow (RUS)	Russia - Iceland	1 - 0
14/10/1998	UEFA EURO	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Russia	1 - 0
02/06/1993	FIFA World Cup	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Russia	1 - 1
14/10/1992	FIFA World Cup	Moscow (RUS)	Russia - Iceland	1 - 0
31/05/1989	FIFA World Cup	Moscow (RUS)	USSR - Iceland	1 - 1
31/08/1988	FIFA World Cup	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - USSR	1 - 1
28/10/1987	UEFA EURO	Simferopol (UKR)	USSR - Iceland	2 - 0
24/09/1986	UEFA EURO	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - USSR	1 - 1
15/10/1980	FIFA World Cup	Moscow (RUS)	USSR - Iceland	5 - 0
03/09/1980	FIFA World Cup	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - USSR	1 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	1	1	2	2	4
World Cup	6	0	3	3	4	11
Friendlies	2	0	0	2	0	5

- Iceland have faced Russia on six occasions, the same number of games they played against the USSR. They have won just once against both opponents, beating Russia 1-0 in a UEFA EURO 2000 qualifier.
- Russia won the return fixture 1-0 but finished only third in their group, behind France and Ukraine, and failed to qualify for the finals in Belgium and the Netherlands.
- There has been just one match played between the countries this century – a 2-0 win for Russia in Marbella, Spain in February 2013. Roman Shirokov and Oleg Shatov scored the goals.

**Iceland v Slovakia****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
05/06/1991	UEFA EURO	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Czechoslovakia	0 - 1
26/09/1990	UEFA EURO	Košice (SVK)	Czechoslovakia - Iceland	1 - 0
23/09/1981	FIFA World Cup	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Czechoslovakia	1 - 1
27/05/1981	FIFA World Cup	Bratislava (SVK)	Czechoslovakia - Iceland	6 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	0	0	2	0	2
World Cup	2	0	1	1	2	7
Friendlies	6	1	1	4	7	12

- Yet to meet in a competitive match, Iceland and Slovakia have faced each other four times in friendlies, most recently in August 2009 when they drew 1-1 in Reykjavik.
- Slovakia coach Ján Kozák was a goalscorer in the Czechoslovakia team that defeated Iceland 6-1 in Bratislava in a 1982 FIFA World Cup qualifier.

**Iceland v Spain****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
08/09/2007	UEFA EURO	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Spain	1 - 1
28/03/2007	UEFA EURO	Palma de Mallorca (ESP)	Spain - Iceland	1 - 0
25/09/1991	UEFA EURO	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Spain	2 - 0
10/10/1990	UEFA EURO	Seville (ESP)	Spain - Iceland	2 - 1
25/09/1985	FIFA World Cup	Seville (ESP)	Spain - Iceland	2 - 1
12/06/1985	FIFA World Cup	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Spain	1 - 2
29/05/1983	UEFA EURO	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Spain	0 - 1
27/10/1982	UEFA EURO	Malaga (ESP)	Spain - Iceland	1 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	6	1	1	4	4	6
World Cup	2	0	0	2	2	4
Friendlies	1	0	1	0	0	0

- Iceland have won only one of their nine fixtures against Spain but have never conceded more than two goals in any of those games. Furthermore, all six of their defeats have been by a one-goal margin.
- The teams last met in qualification for UEFA EURO 2008, Andrés Iniesta scoring Spain's goal in both fixtures as they won 1-0 in Palma de Mallorca and drew 1-1 in Reykjavik.
- Iceland's solitary success, a 2-0 home win in qualifying for EURO '92, condemned Spain to elimination. That is the only major tournament for which Spain have failed to qualify in the past 40 years.

**Iceland v Sweden****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
06/06/2007	UEFA EURO	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Iceland	5 - 0
11/10/2006	UEFA EURO	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Sweden	1 - 2
12/10/2005	FIFA World Cup	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Iceland	3 - 1
13/10/2004	FIFA World Cup	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Sweden	1 - 4
01/06/1995	UEFA EURO	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Iceland	1 - 1
07/09/1994	UEFA EURO	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Sweden	0 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	0	1	3	2	9
World Cup	2	0	0	2	2	7
Friendlies	9	2	1	6	11	19

- Sweden have won their last six matches against Iceland and are also unbeaten in the six qualifiers between the sides.
- Iceland's only positive competitive result against the Swedes came in a EURO '96 qualifier in June 1995, when they earned a 1-1 draw in Solna. Sweden did the double over Iceland in qualifying for UEFA EURO 2008, winning 2-1 in Reykjavik and 5-0 in Solna – their biggest victory against their Nordic rivals.
- Iceland defenders Birkir Sævarsson and Kári Árnason play their domestic football in Sweden with Hammarby and Malmö respectively.
- Iceland's joint head coach Lars Lagerbäck led the Swedish national team from 2000 to 2009.

**Iceland v Switzerland****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
06/09/2013	FIFA World Cup	Berne (SUI)	Switzerland - Iceland	4 - 4
16/10/2012	FIFA World Cup	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Switzerland	0 - 2
16/08/1995	UEFA EURO	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Switzerland	0 - 2
16/11/1994	UEFA EURO	Lausanne (SUI)	Switzerland - Iceland	1 - 0
09/06/1979	UEFA EURO	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Switzerland	1 - 2
22/05/1979	UEFA EURO	Berne (SUI)	Switzerland - Iceland	2 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	0	0	4	1	7
World Cup	2	0	1	1	4	6
Friendlies	-	-	-	-	-	-

- Six qualifiers between the nations have produced five wins for Switzerland and one draw.
- It looked as if Switzerland would maintain their 100% record when the teams last met, in Berne for a 2014 FIFA World Cup qualifier, but Iceland recovered from 4-1 down to draw 4-4. Jóhann Gudmundsson completed the comeback – and his hat-trick – in added time.
- That draw helped Lars Lagerbäck's side take the runners-up spot in the group behind Ottmar Hitzfeld's table-topping Swiss. However, Iceland missed out on the tournament in Brazil, losing to Croatia in the play-offs.
- Iceland midfielder Birkir Bjarnason plays at Basel alongside Swiss internationals Breel Embolo, Michael Lang and Luca Zuffi.

**Iceland v Ukraine****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
08/09/1999	UEFA EURO	Reykjavik (ISL)	Iceland - Ukraine	0 - 1
31/03/1999	UEFA EURO	Kyiv (UKR)	Ukraine - Iceland	1 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	0	1	1	1	2
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	-	-	-	-	-	-

- The only two meetings between Iceland and Ukraine took place in qualifying for UEFA EURO 2000.
- Iceland held Ukraine to a 1-1 draw in Kyiv but lost 1-0 at home six months later to a Serhiy Rebrov penalty.
- The nations will meet in 2018 FIFA World Cup qualifying.



## Wales - Team profile

**Best result:** never previously qualified

**Coach:** Chris Coleman

**Leading scorers:** all-time – Ian Rush (28); current – Gareth Bale (19)

**Most appearances:** all-time – Neville Southall (92); current – Chris Gunter (64)

**Association formed:** 1876

**Nickname:** Dreigiau (Dragons)

**Where they play:** Cardiff City Stadium; Millennium Stadium, Cardiff

Wales last participated in a major tournament at the 1958 FIFA World Cup in Sweden, in which a John Charles-inspired team reached the quarter-finals. They did reach the last eight of the 1976 UEFA European Championship but lost a two-legged tie to Yugoslavia and missed out on the four-team final tournament. Since then a plethora of top-class footballers, among them Ian Rush and Ryan Giggs, have been unable to represent the Principality on the biggest stage. However, thanks to the seven goals of Gareth Bale in UEFA EURO 2016 qualifying, the country will at last compete at a major tournament after a 58-year wait.

### EURO pedigree

#### Matches played

**Overall:** P104 W41 D21 L42 F125 A133

**Final tournament:** P0 W0 D0 L0 F0 A0

**Qualifying:** P104 W41 D21 L42 F125 A133

Yugoslavia were always Wales' bogey team in the UEFA European Championship, denying them a place in the four-team 1976 final tournament and then stopping the Dragons in their tracks in qualifying for the 1984 final tournament. Victory in the final home game would have taken Wales through but Mehmed Baždarević's 81st-minute leveller enabled the visitors to claim the qualifying berth.

Not until UEFA EURO 2004 did Wales come as close again. Facing Russia in the play-offs, hopes soared after a 0-0 draw in Moscow only for a 1-0 home defeat to deny them once more. UEFA EURO 2012 qualifying proved to be a more troubled campaign than most, with promising results on the pitch overshadowed by the death of manager Gary Speed in November 2011.

### Memorable EURO matches

#### 12/06/15: Wales 1-0 Belgium, UEFA EURO 2016 qualifying

Gareth Bale's 25th-minute winner in Cardiff brought Wales a pivotal victory in their UEFA EURO 2016 qualifying quest.

#### 15/11/2003: Russia 0-0 Wales, UEFA EURO 2004 play-off

A fine defensive display made it advantage Wales before a home loss proved their undoing.

#### 05/06/1991: Wales 1-0 Germany, EURO '92 qualifying

Ian Rush's 66th-minute winner gave Wales a deserved victory over the world champions.

### Did you know?

Wales became only the third team to play an official international match when they lost 4-0 to Scotland in a friendly in Partick on 25 March 1876. Wales' entirely amateur squad included two lawyers, a timber merchant, a soldier, a stonemason, a miner and defender William Williams, who made chimney tops.

\*Last updated on 18/11/15

## Wales - Coach profile

### Chris Coleman

**Date of birth:** 10 June 1970

**Nationality:** Welsh

**Playing career:** Manchester City FC, Swansea City AFC, Crystal Palace FC, Blackburn Rovers FC, Fulham FC

**Coaching career:** Fulham FC, Real Sociedad de Fútbol, Coventry City FC, Larissa FC, Wales

- A solid defender, Coleman came through the youth ranks at Manchester City but started his career in earnest with home-town team Swansea, where he won Welsh Cups in 1989 and 1991.
- Picked up the first of 32 caps for Wales while at Crystal Palace, where he occasionally served as a makeshift striker, before joining then reigning English champions Blackburn in 1995 for an injury-ravaged two-year stay.
- A broken leg sustained in a car crash in 2001 when Coleman was playing for Fulham effectively ended his playing days, but he was brought on to the club's coaching staff, taking the top job after a successful stint as caretaker in 2003.
- After leaving Fulham in 2007, Coleman headed abroad to manage first Real Sociedad and then Larissa either side of a spell at Coventry.
- Hired as Wales manager in January 2012 following the death of former team-mate Gary Speed, Coleman signed a two-year extension in November 2013, and was rewarded by guiding the side to UEFA EURO 2016 – their first major tournament since 1958.

## Wales - Team facts

### EURO record

	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
Overall	104	41	21	42	125	133
Qualifying	104	41	21	42	125	133
Final tournament	-	-	-	-	-	-

### UEFA European Championship records: Wales

#### History

2012 – did not qualify  
 2008 – did not qualify  
 2004 – did not qualify  
 2000 – did not qualify  
 1996 – did not qualify  
 1992 – did not qualify  
 1988 – did not qualify  
 1984 – did not qualify  
 1980 – did not qualify  
 1976 – quarter-finals  
 1972 – did not qualify  
 1968 – did not qualify  
 1964 – did not qualify  
 1960 – did not participate

#### Qualifying win

**7-0:** Wales v Malta, 25/10/78

#### Qualifying loss

**5-0:** Georgia v Wales, 16/11/94

#### Overall appearances

**28:** Gary Speed  
**25:** Gareth Bale  
**25:** Neville Southall  
**24:** Craig Bellamy  
**24:** Ryan Giggs  
**23:** Joe Ledley  
**23:** Ian Rush  
**23:** Wayne Hennessey

#### Overall goals

**12:** Gareth Bale  
**7:** Ian Rush  
**5:** Craig Bellamy  
**5:** Simon Davies  
**5:** Dean Saunders  
**5:** John Toshack

### UEFA EURO and FIFA World Cup campaigns

Season	Competition	Result	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
2016	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	10	6	3	1	11	4
2014	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 5th in group	10	3	1	6	9	20
2012	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 4th in group	8	3	0	5	6	10
2010	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 4th in group	10	4	0	6	9	12
2008	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 5th in group	12	4	3	5	18	19
2006	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 5th in group	10	2	2	6	10	15
2004	EURO qualifying	Play-off for Final Tournament	10	4	2	4	13	11
2002	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 5th in group	10	1	6	3	10	12

**UEFA EURO and FIFA World Cup campaigns**

2000	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 4th in group	8	3	0	5	7	16
1998	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 4th in group	8	2	1	5	20	21
1996	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 6th in group	10	2	2	6	9	19
1994	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 4th in group	10	5	2	3	19	12
1992	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 2nd in group	6	4	1	1	8	6
1990	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 4th in group	6	0	2	4	4	8
1988	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 3rd in group	6	2	2	2	7	5
1986	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	6	3	1	2	7	6
1984	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 2nd in group	6	2	3	1	7	6
1982	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	8	4	2	2	12	7
1980	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 3rd in group	6	3	0	3	11	8
1978	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	4	1	0	3	3	4
1976	EURO qualifying	Quarter-finals	8	5	1	2	15	7
1974	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	4	1	1	2	3	5
1972	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 3rd in group	6	2	1	3	5	6
1970	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	4	0	0	4	3	10
1968	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 3rd in group	6	1	2	3	6	12
1966	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	6	3	0	3	11	9
1964	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round	2	0	1	1	2	4
1962	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	2	0	1	1	2	3
1958	World Cup finals	Quarter-finals	5	1	3	1	4	4
1958	World Cup qualifying	Play-off for Final Tournament (qualified)	6	4	0	2	10	5
1954	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 4th in group	3	0	1	2	5	9
1950	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	3	0	1	2	1	6

## Wales - Head to head against teams in other pots

### Wales v Austria

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
30/03/2005	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Wales	1 - 0
26/03/2005	FIFA World Cup	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Austria	0 - 2
19/11/1975	UEFA EURO	Wrexham (WAL)	Wales - Austria	1 - 0
04/09/1974	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Wales	2 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	1	0	1	2	2
World Cup	2	0	0	2	0	3
Friendlies	4	1	1	2	4	6

- Chris Coleman's Wales defeated Marcel Koller's Austria 2-1 in a friendly in Swansea on 6 February 2013 – the teams' most recent meeting – with Gareth Bale and Sam Vokes scoring for the hosts before Marc Janko pulled one back for the visitors.
- That was only the second win for Wales in eight encounters with Austria. The first one came back in November 1975, when Arfon Griffiths scored the only goal in a UEFA European Championship qualifier at the Racecourse in Wrexham that clinched the team's place in the quarter-finals – the country's best performance in the competition.
- Austria captain Christian Fuchs and Wales midfielder Andy King are team-mates at English club Leicester City.

### Wales v Belgium

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
12/06/2015	UEFA EURO	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Belgium	1 - 0
16/11/2014	UEFA EURO	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Wales	0 - 0
15/10/2013	FIFA World Cup	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Wales	1 - 1
07/09/2012	FIFA World Cup	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Belgium	0 - 2
11/10/1997	FIFA World Cup	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Wales	3 - 2
29/03/1997	FIFA World Cup	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Belgium	1 - 2
31/03/1993	FIFA World Cup	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Belgium	2 - 0
18/11/1992	FIFA World Cup	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Wales	2 - 0
27/03/1991	UEFA EURO	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Wales	1 - 1
17/10/1990	UEFA EURO	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Belgium	3 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	2	2	0	5	2
World Cup	6	1	1	4	6	10
Friendlies	2	1	0	1	6	4

- The nations qualified for UEFA EURO 2016 from the same group, Belgium topping the section but Wales having the edge in the head-to-head encounters. The Welsh won 1-0 in Cardiff with a Gareth Bale goal after a 0-0 draw in Brussels.
- Belgium came out on top in both respects during qualification for the 2014 FIFA World Cup, going through to Brazil as group winners after prevailing 2-0 in Cardiff with defenders Vincent Kompany and Jan Vertonghen on the scoresheet. It was 1-1 in Brussels after Aaron Ramsey equalised late on for the visitors following Kevin De Bruyne's opener.
- Wales defender Ben Davies is a Tottenham Hotspur team-mate of Belgian quartet Vertonghen, Toby Alderweireld, Mousa Dembélé and Nacer Chadli. Joe Allen plays alongside Simon Mignolet, Christian Benteke and Divock Origi



at Liverpool.

## Wales v Croatia

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
26/03/2013	FIFA World Cup	Swansea (WAL)	Wales - Croatia	1 - 2
16/10/2012	FIFA World Cup	Osijek (CRO)	Croatia - Wales	2 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	2	0	0	2	1	4
Friendlies	2	0	1	1	1	3

- Croatia defeated Wales home and away in the 2014 FIFA World Cup qualifiers, a 2-0 win in Osijek preceding a 2-1 success in Cardiff; Eduardo da Silva scored in both games.
- Those are the nations' only competitive meetings to date.
- Wales talisman Gareth Bale plays alongside Croatian internationals Luka Modrić and Mateo Kovačić at Real Madrid. Andy King (Wales) and Andrej Kramarić (Croatia) are team-mates at Leicester City.

## Wales v Czech Republic

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
02/06/2007	UEFA EURO	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Czech Republic	0 - 0
02/09/2006	UEFA EURO	Teplice (CZE)	Czech Republic - Wales	2 - 1
08/09/1993	FIFA World Cup	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Czechoslovakia	2 - 2
28/04/1993	FIFA World Cup	Ostrava (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Wales	1 - 1
11/11/1987	UEFA EURO	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Wales	2 - 0
29/04/1987	UEFA EURO	Wrexham (WAL)	Wales - Czechoslovakia	1 - 1
09/09/1981	FIFA World Cup	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Wales	2 - 0
19/11/1980	FIFA World Cup	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Czechoslovakia	1 - 0
16/11/1977	FIFA World Cup	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Wales	1 - 0
30/03/1977	FIFA World Cup	Wrexham (WAL)	Wales - Czechoslovakia	3 - 0
27/10/1971	UEFA EURO	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Wales	1 - 0
21/04/1971	UEFA EURO	Swansea (WAL)	Wales - Czechoslovakia	1 - 3
26/05/1957	FIFA World Cup	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Wales	2 - 0
01/05/1957	FIFA World Cup	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Czechoslovakia	1 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	6	0	2	4	3	9
World Cup	8	3	2	3	8	8
Friendlies	1	0	1	0	0	0

- Czech striker David Lafata came off the bench to score two goals on his international debut, the second in the 89th minute, as Wales were defeated 2-1 in Prague in their opening UEFA EURO 2008 qualifier.
- The return fixture, a 0-0 draw in Cardiff, was Ryan Giggs' 64th and last international appearance for Wales. The two nations have not played each other since.
- Czech goalkeeper Petr Čech and midfielder Tomáš Rosický are club colleagues of Wales's Aaron Ramsey at Arsenal.

## Wales v England

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
06/09/2011	UEFA EURO	London (ENG)	England - Wales	1 - 0
26/03/2011	UEFA EURO	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - England	0 - 2
03/09/2005	FIFA World Cup	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - England	0 - 1
09/10/2004	FIFA World Cup	Manchester (ENG)	England - Wales	2 - 0
24/01/1973	FIFA World Cup	London (ENG)	England - Wales	1 - 1
15/11/1972	FIFA World Cup	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - England	0 - 1
21/10/1967	UEFA EURO	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - England	0 - 3
16/11/1966	UEFA EURO	London (ENG)	England - Wales	5 - 1
10/10/1953	FIFA World Cup	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - England	1 - 4
15/10/1949	FIFA World Cup	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - England	1 - 4

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	0	0	4	1	11
World Cup	6	0	1	5	3	13
Friendlies	91	12	18	41	68	150

- England and Wales, both members of the United Kingdom, have met on 101 occasions, England winning 66 matches and Wales 14.
- Annual opponents in the British Home Championship, which ran for a century until 1984, England and Wales have met just four times in the three decades since.
- England triumphed 2-0 at home and 1-0 away en route to qualifying for the 2006 FIFA World Cup, then 2-0 away and 1-0 at home to assist their qualifying bid for UEFA EURO 2012. Ashley Young was the last player to score in the fixture.
- The majority of players in Chris Coleman's Wales squad ply their trade in England's Premier League or Championship.

### Wales v France

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	4	1	1	2	4	9

- There have been just four matches between France and Wales, all of them on French soil and only one in the past 60 years.
- That fixture, staged in Toulouse as a warm-up game for Les Bleus before the 1982 FIFA World Cup, was won by Wales with a goal from Ian Rush. It was the principality's first victory against France and maintained their record of scoring one goal in every match.
- Wales's Gareth Bale and France's Karim Benzema form two-thirds of the so-called 'BBC' attack (alongside Cristiano Ronaldo) at Real Madrid, where Raphaël Varane also plays.
- There are other team-mate pairings at Tottenham Hotspur (Ben Davies and Hugo Lloris), Crystal Palace (Joe Ledley and Yohan Cabaye) and Arsenal (Aaron Ramsey and Laurent Koscielny, Olivier Giroud and Mathieu Debuchy).

**Wales v Germany****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
01/04/2009	FIFA World Cup	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Germany	0 - 2
15/10/2008	FIFA World Cup	Monchengladbach (GER)	Germany - Wales	1 - 0
21/11/2007	UEFA EURO	Frankfurt am Main (GER)	Germany - Wales	0 - 0
08/09/2007	UEFA EURO	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Germany	0 - 2
11/10/1995	UEFA EURO	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Germany	1 - 2
26/04/1995	UEFA EURO	Dusseldorf (GER)	Germany - Wales	1 - 1
16/10/1991	UEFA EURO	Nuremberg (GER)	Germany - Wales	4 - 1
05/06/1991	UEFA EURO	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Germany	1 - 0
15/11/1989	FIFA World Cup	Cologne (GER)	Germany - Wales	2 - 1
31/05/1989	FIFA World Cup	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Germany	0 - 0
17/10/1979	UEFA EURO	Cologne (GER)	Germany - Wales	5 - 1
02/05/1979	UEFA EURO	Wrexham (WAL)	Wales - Germany	0 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	8	1	2	5	5	16
World Cup	4	0	1	3	1	5
Friendlies	5	1	3	1	4	5

• Germany and Wales have been drawn together in six qualifying campaigns, four of them in the UEFA European Championship. In three of those Germany went on to win the trophy – EURO '80, the 1990 FIFA World Cup and EURO '96.

• Wales' sole competitive victory over Germany came in qualifying for EURO '92, Ian Rush scoring the only goal in Cardiff. The team from the Principality have failed to score in their last four matches against Germany, three of them ending in defeat.

• Wales midfielder Aaron Ramsey plays alongside Germany's Mesut Özil at Arsenal, while Joe Allen and Emre Can are team-mates at Liverpool.

**Wales v Hungary****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
16/04/1975	UEFA EURO	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - Wales	1 - 2
30/10/1974	UEFA EURO	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Hungary	2 - 0
20/03/1963	UEFA EURO	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Hungary	1 - 1 (agg: 2-4)
07/11/1962	UEFA EURO	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - Wales	3 - 1
17/06/1958	FIFA World Cup	Solna (SWE)	Wales - Hungary	2 - 1
08/06/1958	FIFA World Cup	Sanviken (SWE)	Hungary - Wales	1 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	2	1	1	6	5
World Cup	2	1	1	0	3	2
Friendlies	4	2	0	2	6	7

• Over 40 years have passed since the countries last met in a competitive fixture, Wales defeating Hungary 2-1 in Budapest to add to their earlier 2-0 victory in Cardiff and reach the 1976 UEFA European Championship quarter-finals as group winners. John Toshack was a scorer in both matches.

- Wales have also won the two friendlies staged this century – 2-1 again in Budapest in March 2004 and 2-0 again in Cardiff the following February, when Craig Bellamy scored both goals.

- Hungary were led in those two friendlies – as they are now – by a German coach, Lothar Matthäus.

## Wales v Italy

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
06/09/2003	UEFA EURO	Milan (ITA)	Italy - Wales	4 - 0
16/10/2002	UEFA EURO	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Italy	2 - 1
05/06/1999	UEFA EURO	Bologna (ITA)	Italy - Wales	4 - 0
05/09/1998	UEFA EURO	Liverpool (ENG)	Wales - Italy	0 - 2
04/11/1969	FIFA World Cup	Rome (ITA)	Italy - Wales	4 - 1
23/10/1968	FIFA World Cup	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Italy	0 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	1	0	3	2	11
World Cup	2	0	0	2	1	5
Friendlies	3	1	0	2	2	7

- The last four matches between Italy and Wales were all in UEFA European Championship qualifiers, the Azzurri progressing to the 2000 and 2004 finals with the help of 4-0 home wins in both campaigns.

- Filippo Inzaghi scored a hat-trick in the second of those victories, in Milan in September 2003, having also contributed one of the goals four years earlier in Bologna.

- Wales' only competitive win against Italy was in that UEFA EURO 2004 qualifying campaign – 2-1 in Cardiff, Craig Bellamy scoring the winner. Their solitary victory on Italian soil came in June 1988 when Ian Rush, a Juventus player at the time, struck the only goal in a friendly in Brescia.

## Wales v Poland

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
07/09/2005	FIFA World Cup	Warsaw (POL)	Poland - Wales	1 - 0
13/10/2004	FIFA World Cup	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Poland	2 - 3
02/06/2001	FIFA World Cup	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Poland	1 - 2
11/10/2000	FIFA World Cup	Warsaw (POL)	Poland - Wales	0 - 0
26/09/1973	FIFA World Cup	Chorzow (POL)	Poland - Wales	3 - 0
28/03/1973	FIFA World Cup	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Poland	2 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	6	1	1	4	5	9
Friendlies	2	0	1	1	0	1

- The countries have never met in the UEFA European Championship, but whenever they have been drawn in the same FIFA World Cup qualifying group, Poland have to gone on to reach the final tournament – in 1974, 2002 and 2006.

- Although Wales came out on top the first time the teams met – winning 2-0 at Ninian Park, Cardiff in March 1973 – Poland are unbeaten in seven games since, winning five, including the last three competitive fixtures.

- Poland goalkeeper Łukasz Fabiański plays his club football in Wales with Swansea City – as do current Wales internationals Ashley Williams and Neil Taylor.

**Wales v Portugal**

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	3	1	0	2	4	7

- Portugal and Wales have never met in a competitive international.
- All three friendlies have been won by the home side, Portugal prevailing 3-0 in the only one of recent vintage – a UEFA EURO 2000 warm-up fixture in Chaves.
- The teams' respective talismen, Cristiano Ronaldo and Gareth Bale, play together at Real Madrid, where Pepe also plies his trade. Portugal striker Éder plays his club football in Wales with Swansea City.

**Wales v Romania****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
17/11/1993	FIFA World Cup	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Romania	1 - 2
20/05/1992	FIFA World Cup	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Wales	5 - 1
24/11/1971	UEFA EURO	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Wales	2 - 0
11/11/1970	UEFA EURO	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Romania	0 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	0	1	1	0	2
World Cup	2	0	0	2	2	7
Friendlies	1	1	0	0	5	0

- Romania reached the 1994 FIFA World Cup at Wales' expense, following a 5-1 home victory with a 2-1 away win in their final qualifier. Current head coach Anghel Iordănescu was in charge in Cardiff as the hosts, led by Terry Yorath, missed a penalty at 1-1 – through Paul Bodin – when a victory would have taken Wales through instead of their opponents. Romania went on to reach the quarter-finals in the United States.
- Florin Răduciou's late winner in Cardiff meant that he ended up as the European zone's top scorer, with nine goals, edging Wales's Ian Rush (eight) into second place.
- There have been no meetings since then.

**Wales v Russia****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
09/09/2009	FIFA World Cup	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Russia	1 - 3
10/09/2008	FIFA World Cup	Moscow (RUS)	Russia - Wales	2 - 1
19/11/2003	UEFA EURO	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Russia	0 - 1 (agg: 0-1)
15/11/2003	UEFA EURO	Moscow (RUS)	Russia - Wales	0 - 0
18/11/1981	FIFA World Cup	Tbilisi (GEO)	USSR - Wales	3 - 0
30/05/1981	FIFA World Cup	Wrexham (WAL)	Wales - USSR	0 - 0
27/10/1965	FIFA World Cup	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - USSR	2 - 1
30/05/1965	FIFA World Cup	Moscow (RUS)	USSR - Wales	2 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	0	1	1	0	1
World Cup	6	1	1	4	5	11
Friendlies	1	0	1	0	0	0

- Georgi Yartsev's Russia qualified for UEFA EURO 2004 after overcoming Mark Hughes' Wales 1-0 on aggregate in a play-off. The only goal came from Vadim Yevseev at the Millennium Stadium in the second leg.
- Russia also got the better of Wales in 2010 FIFA World Cup qualifying, winning 2-1 in Moscow and 3-1 in Cardiff, where defender Sergei Ignashevich was among the scorers. It proved in vain, however, as Guus Hiddink's side lost in the play-offs to Slovenia.
- Wales' only win in five games against the USSR came in a 1966 World Cup qualifier, Ivor Allchurch scoring the late winner in Cardiff (2-1).

## Wales v Slovakia

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
12/09/2007	UEFA EURO	Trnava (SVK)	Slovakia - Wales	2 - 5
07/10/2006	UEFA EURO	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Slovakia	1 - 5
08/09/1993	FIFA World Cup	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Czechoslovakia	2 - 2
28/04/1993	FIFA World Cup	Ostrava (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Wales	1 - 1
11/11/1987	UEFA EURO	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Wales	2 - 0
29/04/1987	UEFA EURO	Wrexham (WAL)	Wales - Czechoslovakia	1 - 1
09/09/1981	FIFA World Cup	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Wales	2 - 0
19/11/1980	FIFA World Cup	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Czechoslovakia	1 - 0
16/11/1977	FIFA World Cup	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Wales	1 - 0
30/03/1977	FIFA World Cup	Wrexham (WAL)	Wales - Czechoslovakia	3 - 0
27/10/1971	UEFA EURO	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Wales	1 - 0
21/04/1971	UEFA EURO	Swansea (WAL)	Wales - Czechoslovakia	1 - 3
26/05/1957	FIFA World Cup	Prague (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Wales	2 - 0
01/05/1957	FIFA World Cup	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Czechoslovakia	1 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	6	1	1	4	8	14
World Cup	8	3	2	3	8	8
Friendlies	-	-	-	-	-	-

- The only fixtures played between the nations came in qualifying for UEFA EURO 2008 and produced two unlikely scorelines.
- Gareth Bale scored his first goal for Wales in the first meeting, in Cardiff, but Slovakia managed five, Dušan Švento getting the first and Róbert Vittek the fifth. The return fixture brought revenge for John Toshack's Wales as they claimed a 5-2 win in Trnava, Craig Bellamy scoring twice.
- Slovakia's Martin Škrtel and Wales midfielder Joe Allen are team-mates at Liverpool.

## Wales v Spain

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
30/04/1985	FIFA World Cup	Wrexham (WAL)	Wales - Spain	3 - 0
17/10/1984	FIFA World Cup	Seville (ESP)	Spain - Wales	3 - 0
18/05/1961	FIFA World Cup	Madrid (ESP)	Spain - Wales	1 - 1
19/04/1961	FIFA World Cup	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Spain	1 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	4	1	1	2	5	6
Friendlies	1	0	1	0	1	1

- The nations last met in a 1986 FIFA World Cup qualifier in Wrexham, Wales winning 3-0 with a double from Ian Rush and a spectacular scissor kick from Mark Hughes, who joined Barcelona the following year.
- That was Wales' first victory in five attempts against Spain. The Roja had won the earlier fixture in that qualifying group by the same 3-0 scoreline at Seville's Estadio Benito Villamarín, Emilio Butragueño among the marksmen.
- Wales' UEFA EURO 2016 qualifying talisman Gareth Bale plays alongside several Spanish internationals at Real Madrid.

## Wales v Sweden

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
15/06/1958	FIFA World Cup	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Wales	0 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	1	0	1	0	0	0
Friendlies	5	0	0	5	3	13

- Sweden and Wales have met only once in a competitive fixture – at the 1958 FIFA World Cup.
- The nations drew 0-0 in Solna, a result that enabled the hosts to progress to the quarter-finals, where Wales joined them after a play-off win against Hungary.
- Sweden have won all five friendlies staged since then, scoring 13 goals to Wales' three. The most recent, in March 2010, was Erik Hamrén's fourth match in charge of Sweden and was decided by a lone strike from Johan Elmander in Swansea.

## Wales v Switzerland

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
07/10/2011	UEFA EURO	Swansea (WAL)	Wales - Switzerland	2 - 0
12/10/2010	UEFA EURO	Basel (SUI)	Switzerland - Wales	4 - 1
09/10/1999	UEFA EURO	Wrexham (WAL)	Wales - Switzerland	0 - 2
31/03/1999	UEFA EURO	Zurich (SUI)	Switzerland - Wales	2 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	1	0	3	3	8
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	3	1	0	2	3	8

- Gareth Bale scored in both games against Switzerland in UEFA EURO 2012 qualifying. He sealed a 2-0 win in Cardiff after Aaron Ramsey had put Wales ahead from the penalty spot and registered his team's consolation in a 4-1 Basel defeat in which Valentin Stocker was twice on target.
- Switzerland did the double over Wales in UEFA EURO 2000 qualifying, winning 2-0 in Zurich and Wrexham, but missed out on the play-offs because of an inferior head-to-head record against Denmark.
- Switzerland captain Gökhan Inler is a team-mate of Wales midfielder Andy King at Leicester City.

**Wales v Ukraine****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
06/06/2001	FIFA World Cup	Kyiv (UKR)	Ukraine - Wales	1 - 1
28/03/2001	FIFA World Cup	Cardiff (WAL)	Wales - Ukraine	1 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	2	0	2	0	2	2
Friendlies	-	-	-	-	-	-

- Ukraine and Wales were paired in the same qualifying group for the 2002 FIFA World Cup. Both games ended 1-1, Andriy Shevchenko equalising John Hartson's opener in Cardiff and Mark Pembridge cancelling out Hennadiy Zubov's strike in Kyiv.
- Those are the only meetings between the nations.



## Albania

### Albania - Team profile

**Best result:** never previously qualified

**Coach:** Gianni De Biasi

**Leading scorer:** all-time – Erjon Bogdani (18); current – Hamdi Salihi (11)

**Most appearances:** all-time – Lorik Cana (87); current – Lorik Cana (87)

**Association formed:** 1930

**Nickname:** Shqiponjat (The Eagles)

**Where they play:** Elbasani Arena, Elbasan

A founder member of UEFA, Albania had never qualified for a major tournament until reaching UEFA EURO 2016, although there was a sign of things to come with improved recent results under experienced coaches like German Hans-Peter Briegel and Dutchman Arie Haan. Albania have not ended bottom of a qualifying group in their last seven campaigns; indeed, but for a poor finish to 2014 FIFA World Cup qualifying, they might have reached the play-offs under Italian Gianni De Biasi, the man who stayed on to steer them to France as Group I runners-up.

#### EURO pedigree

##### Matches played

**Overall:** P93 W18 D22 L53 F8 A159

**Final tournament:** P0 W0 D0 L0 F0 A0

**Qualifying:** P93 W18 D22 L53 F78 A159

Albania's introduction to the UEFA European Championship brought a famous win in a losing cause, a pattern that continued until UEFA EURO 2016 qualification. Having sat out the inaugural tournament, they achieved their first success in the competition against Denmark in the last 16 of the 1964 edition. A side led by perhaps the country's greatest player, Panajot Pano, won 1-0 in Tirana, but the Danes had already done the damage with a 4-0 first-leg victory.

Four years later Albania again displayed their quality, albeit when already eliminated. They held West Germany 0-0 to deny them a finals place for the only time. Since then there has been only sporadic success, a 3-0 victory against Turkey in the run-up to the 1972 tournament and a memorable 3-1 win against Russia in 2003 the highlights. Albania recorded their best performance in UEFA EURO 2008 qualifying, collecting 11 points, but missed out on the finals; four years later, they finished second in their group behind Portugal to earn a first appearance.

#### Memorable EURO matches

##### 11/10/15: Armenia 0-3 Albania UEFA EURO 2016 qualifying

A convincing win in Yerevan sealed Albania's first qualification for a major tournament.

##### 29/03/03: Albania 3-1 Russia, UEFA EURO 2004 qualifying

Goals from Altin Rraklli, Altin Lala and Igli Tare gave coach Briegel a dream competitive debut.

##### 17/12/67: Albania 0-0 West Germany, 1968 UEFA European Championship qualifying

The hosts denied their opponents a finals place with a memorable draw.

#### Did you know?

Scorer of Albania's first goal in EURO qualifying, in a 1-0 win against Denmark in October 1963, and considered the nation's greatest player, Pano was a goalkeeper up to his teens before a shortage of outfield players led to his coach gambling on a change of position. His team lost 4-0, but Pano was on the path to greatness.

\*Last updated on 18/11/15

## Albania - Coach profile

### Gianni De Biasi

**Date of birth:** 16 June 1956

**Nationality:** Italian

**Playing career:** Treviso FC, FC Internazionale Milano, AC Reggiana 1919, Pescara Calcio, Brescia Calcio, US Città di Palermo, Vicenza Calcio, Bassano Virtus 55 ST

**Coaching career:** FC Pro Vasto, Carpi FC 1909, Cosenza Calcio, SPAL 1907, Modena FC, Brescia Calcio, Torino FC (three times), Levante UD, Udinese Calcio, Albania

- Served apprenticeship as an academy coach and on the lower rungs of the Italian football ladder before making his name overseeing back-to-back promotions at Modena – guiding them from the third division to Serie A in 2002. It ended a 38-year absence from the top flight.
- Helped Modena survive first season among the elite before moving to Brescia, where he stayed two years before embarking on a tumultuous spell at Torino in 2005.
- Arrived with Torino picking up the pieces after bankruptcy and exceeded expectations by steering them back to Serie A in his first campaign, only to be replaced by Alberto Zaccheroni three days before the start of the next term. He was reappointed within seven months, leading the Granata to safety.
- Spent 2007/08 at Levante, winning plaudits despite relegation, then returned for a third stint at Torino with five games of the season remaining and saved them from relegation again. Sacked that December, he had a two-month reign at Udinese in 2009/10 before finding more constancy as Albania boss.
- A one-time midfielder with a handful of top-flight playing campaigns under his belt, De Biasi was installed in December 2011 as successor to Josip Kuže. He signed a new deal running until the end of UEFA EURO 2016 qualifying in November 2013, and promptly led the team to the finals for the first time.

## Albania - Team facts

### EURO record

	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
Overall	91	15	23	53	69	159
Qualifying	91	15	23	53	69	159
Final tournament	-	-	-	-	-	-

### UEFA European Championship records: Albania

#### History

2012 – did not qualify  
 2008 – did not qualify  
 2004 – did not qualify  
 2000 – did not qualify  
 1996 – did not qualify  
 1992 – did not qualify  
 1988 – did not qualify  
 1984 – did not qualify  
 1980 – did not qualify  
 1976 – did not qualify  
 1972 – did not qualify  
 1968 – did not qualify  
 1964 – did not qualify  
 1960 – did not participate

#### Qualifying win

**3-0:** six times, most recently Armenia v Albania, 11/10/15

#### Qualifying defeat

**9-0:** Spain v Albania, 19/12/90

#### Overall appearances

**29:** Fotaq Strakosha  
**29:** Altin Lala  
**27:** Lorik Cana  
**25:** Erjon Bogdani  
**25:** Klodia Duro  
**23:** Alban Bushi  
**23:** Altin Rraklli

#### Overall goals

**5:** Edmond Kapllani  
**4:** Sokol Kushta  
**4:** Alban Bushi  
**4:** Altin Rraklli  
**4:** Ervin Skela  
**4:** Igli Tare

### UEFA EURO and FIFA World Cup campaigns

Season	Competition	Result	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
2016	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	8	3	3	2	7	5
2014	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 5th in group	10	3	2	5	9	11
2012	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 5th in group	10	2	3	5	7	14
2010	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 5th in group	10	1	4	5	6	13
2008	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 5th in group	12	2	5	5	12	18
2006	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 5th in group	12	4	1	7	11	20
2004	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 4th in group	8	2	2	4	11	15
2002	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 5th in group	8	1	0	7	5	14

**UEFA EURO and FIFA World Cup campaigns**

2000	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 5th in group	10	1	4	5	8	14
1998	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 6th in group	10	1	1	8	7	20
1996	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 5th in group	10	2	2	6	10	16
1994	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 7th in group	12	1	2	9	6	26
1992	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 5th in group	7	1	0	6	2	21
1990	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 4th in group	6	0	0	6	3	15
1988	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 4th in group	6	0	0	6	2	17
1986	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 4th in group	6	1	2	3	6	9
1984	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 5th in group	8	0	2	6	4	14
1982	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 4th in group	8	1	0	7	4	22
1974	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 4th in group	6	1	0	5	3	13
1972	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 4th in group	6	1	1	4	5	9
1968	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 3rd in group	4	0	1	3	0	12
1966	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 4th in group	6	0	1	5	2	12
1964	EURO qualifying	Round of 16	2	1	0	1	1	4

## Albania - Head to head against teams in other pots

### Albania v Austria

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
29/04/1987	UEFA EURO	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Austria	0 - 1
15/10/1986	UEFA EURO	Salzburg (AUT)	Austria - Albania	3 - 0
08/06/1983	UEFA EURO	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Austria	1 - 2
22/09/1982	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Albania	5 - 0
06/12/1980	FIFA World Cup	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Austria	0 - 1
15/11/1980	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Albania	5 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	0	0	4	1	11
World Cup	2	0	0	2	0	6
Friendlies	-	-	-	-	-	-

- The teams have not met since the 1980s, when Austria won each of the six matches they played.
- Albania scored only one goal in those six defeats, a penalty; Austria found the net 17 times.
- Austria's 44-goal record scorer Toni Polster was on target in both EURO '88 qualifiers – the last two times the teams met.

### Albania v Belgium

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
22/12/1984	FIFA World Cup	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Belgium	2 - 0
17/10/1984	FIFA World Cup	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium - Albania	3 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	2	1	0	1	3	3
Friendlies	-	-	-	-	-	-

- The two countries have not faced each other for 31 years, having been drawn together in a qualifying group only once – for the 1986 FIFA World Cup.
- Both teams won their home games, with Guy Thys's Belgium – who went on to reach the semi-finals in Mexico – triumphing 3-1 in Brussels. They lost 2-0 in Tirana, though, goals from Mirel Josa and Arbën Minga leading Albania to a famous victory.
- Former Albanian international Besnik Hasi is the coach of record Belgian champions Anderlecht.

### Albania v Croatia

No previous meetings

- Albania and Croatia have never previously met.
- Two current Albanian internationals, Odhise Roshi and Bekim Balaj, both play for Croatian club Rijeka.

**Albania v Czech Republic****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
16/10/1991	UEFA EURO	Olomouc (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Albania	2 - 1
01/05/1991	UEFA EURO	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Czechoslovakia	0 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	0	0	2	1	4
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	3	2	0	1	5	6

- Albania and the Czech Republic have never met.
- Albania faced Czechoslovakia on five occasions – three times in friendly internationals during the 1950s and twice in qualifying for EURO '92.
- Czechoslovakia claimed the points in both competitive encounters, winning 2-0 in Tirana and 2-1 in Olomouc. Neither side qualified for the finals in Sweden.

**Albania v England****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
05/09/2001	FIFA World Cup	Newcastle (ENG)	England - Albania	2 - 0
28/03/2001	FIFA World Cup	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - England	1 - 3
26/04/1989	FIFA World Cup	London (ENG)	England - Albania	5 - 0
08/03/1989	FIFA World Cup	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - England	0 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	4	0	0	4	1	12
Friendlies	-	-	-	-	-	-

- England have won all four of their meetings with Albania – all FIFA World Cup qualifiers.
- Back-to-back qualifiers in the spring of 1989 brought a 2-0 win for Bobby Robson's team in Tirana followed by a 5-0 victory, with Peter Beardsley on target twice at Wembley.
- Michael Owen found the net on both occasions that the teams met in 2002 World Cup qualifying, England winning 3-1 in Tirana and 2-0 in Newcastle.

**Albania v France****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
07/10/2011	UEFA EURO	Saint-Denis (FRA)	France - Albania	3 - 0
02/09/2011	UEFA EURO	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - France	1 - 2
30/03/1991	UEFA EURO	Paris (FRA)	France - Albania	5 - 0
17/11/1990	UEFA EURO	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - France	0 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	0	0	4	1	11
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	2	1	1	0	2	1

- Albania got the better of France in the two centralised friendlies played in conjunction with the UEFA EURO 2016 qualifying competition. They drew the first encounter 1-1 in Rennes before winning 1-0 at home in Elbasan thanks

to a goal from Ergys Kaçe.

- France had won the four previous meetings – all UEFA European Championship qualifiers – with a goal difference of 11 for and one against.
- Les Bleus' biggest victory in that sequence was a 5-0 success at the Parc des Princes in EURO '92 qualifying, with Franck Sauzée and Jean-Pierre Papin both scoring twice.
- Albania's record cap holder Lorik Cana plays his club football in France at Nantes alongside international colleague Ermir Lenjani.

## Albania v Germany

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
06/06/2001	FIFA World Cup	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Germany	0 - 2
24/03/2001	FIFA World Cup	Leverkusen (GER)	Germany - Albania	2 - 1
11/10/1997	FIFA World Cup	Hanover (GER)	Germany - Albania	4 - 3
02/04/1997	FIFA World Cup	Granada (ESP)	Albania - Germany	2 - 3
18/12/1994	UEFA EURO	Kaiserslautern (GER)	Germany - Albania	2 - 1
16/11/1994	UEFA EURO	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Germany	1 - 2
20/11/1983	UEFA EURO	Saarbrücken (GER)	Germany - Albania	2 - 1
30/03/1983	UEFA EURO	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Germany	1 - 2
18/11/1981	FIFA World Cup	Dortmund (GER)	Germany - Albania	8 - 0
01/04/1981	FIFA World Cup	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Germany	0 - 2
12/06/1971	UEFA EURO	Karlsruhe (GER)	Germany - Albania	2 - 0
17/02/1971	UEFA EURO	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Germany	0 - 1
17/12/1967	UEFA EURO	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Germany	0 - 0
09/04/1967	UEFA EURO	Dortmund (GER)	Germany - Albania	6 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	8	0	1	7	4	17
World Cup	6	0	0	6	6	21
Friendlies	-	-	-	-	-	-

- Albania and Germany (including West Germany) are frequent opponents in qualifying competition: they have been drawn together seven times.
- Germany have won 13 of the 14 games, racking up their biggest win in qualifying for the 1982 FIFA World Cup when a Karl-Heinz Rummenigge hat-trick helped the reigning European champions to an 8-0 win in Dortmund.
- Gerd Müller and Ulf Kirsten have also scored hat-tricks against Albania, the former bagging four in a 6-0 win – also in Dortmund – in the teams' first meeting, in April 1967.
- Albania's only qualifying point against Germany came in the teams' first encounter on Albanian soil – a 0-0 draw in 1967 that contributed to their opponents' only ever qualifying failure. Seven of Germany's last eight wins have been by a single-goal margin, the exception being the most recent encounter, in June 2001, when Rudi Völler's side won 2-0 in Tirana.

**Albania v Hungary****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
28/03/2009	FIFA World Cup	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Hungary	0 - 1
11/10/2008	FIFA World Cup	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - Albania	2 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	2	0	0	2	0	3
Friendlies	4	0	1	3	0	16

- Albania have not scored in six matches against Hungary, including a 12-0 mauling by the Mighty Magyars in September 1950 that featured four goals apiece for Ferenc Puskás and László Budai. That remains Hungary's joint biggest margin of victory – alongside a 13-1 win against France in June 1927.
- The nations met competitively for the first time in 2010 FIFA World Cup qualifying. Hungary won both matches, 2-0 in Budapest and 1-0 in Tirana, with Sándor Torghelle scoring in each game.
- The most recent encounter, a June 2014 friendly in Budapest, resulted in another 1-0 win for Hungary courtesy of Tamás Priskin's penalty eight minutes from time.

**Albania v Italy**

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	1	0	0	1	0	1

- Albania and Italy have never been paired in an international competition.
- There has only been one previous meeting – a friendly in November 2014 at the Stadio Luigi Ferraris in Genoa. Italy triumphed 1-0 with an 82nd-minute winner from Stefano Okaka, the striker coming off the bench to score 17 minutes into his international debut.
- Albania goalkeeper Etrit Berisha (Lazio) and defender Elseid Hysaj (Napoli) play in Serie A.
- Albania and Italy have been drawn in the same group for 2018 FIFA World Cup qualifying.

**Albania v Poland****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
15/11/1989	FIFA World Cup	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Poland	1 - 2
19/10/1988	FIFA World Cup	Katowice (POL)	Poland - Albania	1 - 0
30/05/1985	FIFA World Cup	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Poland	0 - 1
31/10/1984	FIFA World Cup	Mielec (POL)	Poland - Albania	2 - 2
12/05/1971	UEFA EURO	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Poland	1 - 1
14/10/1970	UEFA EURO	Chorzow (POL)	Poland - Albania	3 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	0	1	1	1	4
World Cup	4	0	1	3	3	6
Friendlies	5	1	1	3	3	4

- Albania and Poland have met 11 times but have not faced each other in a competitive international for 26 years.
- The only two matches since then, friendlies in May 2005 and May 2008, were both won 1-0 by Poland. Maciej Żurawski scored the early winning goal on each occasion.



- Poland are unbeaten in the six competitive meetings, winning four of them, the last three all by a one-goal margin.

## Albania v Portugal

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
07/09/2015	UEFA EURO	Elbasan (ALB)	Albania - Portugal	0 - 1
07/09/2014	UEFA EURO	Aveiro (POR)	Portugal - Albania	0 - 1
06/06/2009	FIFA World Cup	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Portugal	1 - 2
15/10/2008	FIFA World Cup	Braga (POR)	Portugal - Albania	0 - 0
07/06/1997	FIFA World Cup	Porto (POR)	Portugal - Albania	2 - 0
09/10/1996	FIFA World Cup	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Portugal	0 - 3

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	1	0	1	1	1
World Cup	4	0	1	3	1	7
Friendlies	1	0	0	1	3	5

- Portugal and Albania progressed together from UEFA EURO 2016 qualifying Group I, both teams defeating each other 1-0 away.
- Albania opened the section with a shock victory in Aveiro thanks to Bekim Balaj's spectacular volley. A year to the day later it was Portugal who prevailed, midfielder Miguel Veloso scoring an added-time winner in Elbasan.
- Portugal captain Cristiano Ronaldo is yet to score in four matches against Albania, though he has never been on the losing side; he missed the opening UEFA EURO 2016 qualifying defeat through injury.

## Albania v Romania

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
11/10/2011	UEFA EURO	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Romania	1 - 1
03/09/2010	UEFA EURO	Piatra Neamt (ROU)	Romania - Albania	1 - 1
21/11/2007	UEFA EURO	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Albania	6 - 1
06/09/2006	UEFA EURO	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Romania	0 - 2
28/10/1987	UEFA EURO	Vlora (ALB)	Albania - Romania	0 - 1
25/03/1987	UEFA EURO	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Albania	5 - 1
06/05/1973	FIFA World Cup	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Romania	1 - 4
29/10/1972	FIFA World Cup	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Albania	2 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	6	0	2	4	4	16
World Cup	2	0	0	2	1	6
Friendlies	9	2	2	5	5	20

- Romania are Albania's most frequent opponents having faced them on 16 occasions.
- Albania are yet to beat Romania in eight competitive fixtures. Romania won the first six until qualifying for UEFA EURO 2012, when the teams twice drew 1-1.
- Experienced Romania left-back Răzvan Raț scored the only goal when the teams last met, in Yverdon, Switzerland in a friendly in May 2014.

**Albania v Russia****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
29/03/2003	UEFA EURO	Shkoder (ALB)	Albania - Russia	3 - 1
16/10/2002	UEFA EURO	Volgograd (RUS)	Russia - Albania	4 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	1	0	1	4	5
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	-	-	-	-	-	-

- Albania and Russia's only previous meetings came in UEFA EURO 2004 qualifying.
- Both teams won at home, Valeri Gazzaev's Russia prevailing 4-1 in Volgograd and Hans-Peter Briegel's Albania claiming a 3-1 victory in the Shkoder return.
- No matches were played between Albania and the USSR.

**Albania v Slovakia****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
16/10/1991	UEFA EURO	Olomouc (CZE)	Czechoslovakia - Albania	2 - 1
01/05/1991	UEFA EURO	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Czechoslovakia	0 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	0	0	2	1	4
World Cup	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies	3	2	0	1	5	6

- Albania and Slovakia have never met.

**Albania v Spain****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
22/09/1993	FIFA World Cup	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Spain	1 - 5
22/04/1992	FIFA World Cup	Seville (ESP)	Spain - Albania	3 - 0
19/12/1990	UEFA EURO	Seville (ESP)	Spain - Albania	9 - 0
18/11/1987	UEFA EURO	Seville (ESP)	Spain - Albania	5 - 0
03/12/1986	UEFA EURO	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Spain	1 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	3	0	0	3	1	16
World Cup	2	0	0	2	1	8
Friendlies	-	-	-	-	-	-

- Spain have won all five matches against Albania, scoring 24 goals and conceding just two.
- Captain Emilio Buragueño struck four goals as Spain overran Albania 9-0 in Seville in a EURO '92 qualifier. Spain failed to qualify for the finals and the return fixture in Tirana was cancelled because of civil unrest in Albania.
- Two years later, in September 1993, the teams did meet in the Albanian capital, Julio Salinas scoring a hat-trick in a 5-1 win. They have not faced each other since.
- Albania and Spain have been drawn in the same group for 2018 FIFA World Cup qualifying.

**Albania v Sweden****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
14/10/2009	FIFA World Cup	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Albania	4 - 1
06/09/2008	FIFA World Cup	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Sweden	0 - 0
08/10/1989	FIFA World Cup	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Albania	3 - 1
05/11/1988	FIFA World Cup	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Sweden	1 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	4	0	1	3	3	9
Friendlies	1	1	0	0	2	1

- The two nations have never met in the UEFA European Championship.
- Sweden are unbeaten in four FIFA World Cup qualifiers against Albania, winning three of them. Albania were victorious in the only friendly played between the two countries – prevailing 2-1 in Tirana in February 2004.
- Sweden did the double over Albania in qualifying for Italia '90 and took four points off them in the 2010 World Cup qualifiers, drawing 0-0 in Tirana and winning 4-1 in Solna but that was not enough to book a place in South Africa.

**Albania v Switzerland****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
11/10/2013	FIFA World Cup	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Switzerland	1 - 2
11/09/2012	FIFA World Cup	Lucerne (SUI)	Switzerland - Albania	2 - 0
11/06/2003	UEFA EURO	Geneva (SUI)	Switzerland - Albania	3 - 2
12/10/2002	UEFA EURO	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Switzerland	1 - 1
02/05/1965	FIFA World Cup	Geneva (SUI)	Switzerland - Albania	1 - 0
11/04/1965	FIFA World Cup	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Switzerland	0 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	0	1	1	3	4
World Cup	4	0	0	4	1	7
Friendlies	-	-	-	-	-	-

- Switzerland are unbeaten in their six internationals against Albania, winning five. The teams' most recent encounters took place in 2014 FIFA World Cup qualifying, Gianni De Biasi's Albania losing 2-0 in Lucerne and 2-1 in Tirana. Xherdan Shaqiri, who has Albanian roots, scored for Switzerland in both matches.
- Several current Albanian internationals play for Swiss clubs, including three apiece at champions Basel (Shkëlzen Gashi, Taulant Xhaka and Naser Aliji) and FC Zürich (Berat Djimsiti, Burim Kukeli and Armando Sadiku).
- Switzerland-born Taulant Xhaka has opted to represent Albania at international level; younger brother Granit plays for Switzerland.

**Albania v Ukraine****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
08/10/2005	FIFA World Cup	Dnipropetrovsk (UKR)	Ukraine - Albania	2 - 2
09/02/2005	FIFA World Cup	Tirana (ALB)	Albania - Ukraine	0 - 2
20/08/1997	FIFA World Cup	Kyiv (UKR)	Ukraine - Albania	1 - 0
29/03/1997	FIFA World Cup	Granada (ESP)	Albania - Ukraine	0 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	4	0	1	3	2	6
Friendlies	-	-	-	-	-	-

- Albania and Ukraine have never met in the UEFA European Championship.
- Ukraine have had the better of four FIFA World Cup qualifying encounters, claiming 1-0 wins home and away on the road to France '98 and taking four points off Albania ahead of the 2006 finals.
- It took until their fourth meeting for Albania to register a first point and first goal, Erjon Bogdani scoring twice to force a 2-2 draw in Dnipropetrovsk.

## Northern Ireland

### Northern Ireland - Team profile

**Best result:** never previously qualified

**Coach:** Michael O'Neill

**Leading scorers:** all-time – David Healy (36); current – Kyle Lafferty (16)

**Most appearances:** all-time – Pat Jennings (119); current – Aaron Hughes (96)

**Association formed:** 1880

**Nickname:** Norn Iron

**Where they play:** Windsor Park, Belfast

Despite some memorable wins, Northern Ireland had never sent a team to the finals of the UEFA European Championship until now, previously coming closest in the 1984 qualifying series when they beat holders West Germany home and away. In contrast there have been three appearances at the FIFA World Cup, the first in 1958 resulting in a quarter-final appearance and the second, in 1982, featuring a famous 1-0 win over hosts Spain. Like all-time top marksman David Healy, the great George Best sadly never graced a major tournament. The current crop, under manager Michael O'Neill, will get that opportunity to shine on the big stage in France.

#### EURO pedigree

##### Matches played

**Overall:** P110 W40 D25 L45 F120 A138

**Final tournament:** P0 W0 D0 L0 F0 A0

**Qualifying:** P110 W40 D25 L45 F120 A138

Northern Ireland first entered the UEFA European Championship ahead of the 1964 finals, beating Poland 4-0 on aggregate before losing out to eventual winners Spain. Billy Bingham's side overcame West Germany 1-0 in Belfast and Hamburg during qualifying for the 1984 edition – only to be pipped to qualification by the Germans on goal difference.

Fans also got a run for their money during the UEFA EURO 2008 campaign when Healy's prolific strike rate helped them to memorable home wins against eventual champions Spain (3-2), Sweden (2-1) and Denmark (2-1), but Northern Ireland could only finish third in their pool. Under Nigel Worthington they started UEFA EURO 2012 qualifying brightly, a 1-0 win in Slovenia and a 0-0 draw with eventual group winners Italy raising hopes, but the campaign ended in disappointment. A frustrating 1-1 draw in the Faroe Islands and a 4-1 defeat by Estonia in Tallinn did much of the damage.

#### Memorable EURO matches

##### 08/10/15: Northern Ireland 3-1 Greece, UEFA EURO 2016 qualifying

The country's first EURO qualification was confirmed with a Steven Davis-inspired victory over the 2004 champions.

##### 06/09/2006: Northern Ireland 3-2 Spain, UEFA EURO 2008 qualifying

Healy scored a hat-trick to seal a memorable victory over Luis Aragonés' side.

##### 16/11/1983: West Germany 0-1 Northern Ireland, 1984 UEFA European Championship qualifying

Norman Whiteside's goal in Hamburg completed a remarkable double against West Germany.

#### Did you know?

Healy's tally of 13 goals in 2008 qualifying was a UEFA European Championship record, matched by Poland's Robert Lewandowski in the 2016 preliminaries.

\*Last updated on 18/11/2015

## Northern Ireland - Coach profile

### Michael O'Neill

**Date of birth:** 5 July 1969

**Nationality:** Northern Irish

**Playing career:** Coleraine FC, Newcastle United FC, Dundee United FC, Hibernian FC, Coventry City FC, Aberdeen FC (loan), Reading FC (loan), Wigan Athletic FC, Saint Johnstone FC, Portland Timbers, Clydebank FC, Glentoran FC, Ayr United FC

**Coaching career:** Brechin City FC, Shamrock Rovers FC, Northern Ireland

- A midfielder and forward during a 20-year playing career, O'Neill spent the bulk of his time in Scotland, most notably with Dundee United and Hibernian. Enjoyed late success when winning a Northern Irish league and League Cup double with Glentoran in 2002/03.
- Made 31 appearances for his country, scoring four goals, two of which came in a memorable 5-3 victory against Austria during EURO '96 qualifying.
- Moved into coaching as assistant manager of Scottish club Cowdenbeath in 2005 before taking the reins at Brechin in March 2006. Was named coach of Shamrock Rovers in the Republic of Ireland in December 2008, guiding the Hoops to a second-place finish in his debut season before clinching their first title since 1994 in 2010.
- Made history as Rovers became the first Irish side to qualify for the group stage of a European competition, beating FK Partizan in the 2011/12 UEFA Europa League play-offs. Also led the Hoops to a second successive domestic championship in 2011.
- Appointed coach of his country in December 2011 and helped Northern Ireland record several notable results in 2014 FIFA World Cup qualifying, including a 1-1 draw in Portugal and a home win against Russia. Even better was to come as O'Neill steered his charges to UEFA EURO 2016, their first UEFA European Championship appearance.

## Northern Ireland - Team facts

### EURO record

	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
Overall	110	40	25	45	120	138
Qualifying	110	40	25	45	120	138
Final tournament	-	-	-	-	-	-

### UEFA European Championship records: Northern Ireland

#### History

2012 – did not qualify  
 2008 – did not qualify  
 2004 – did not qualify  
 2000 – did not qualify  
 1996 – did not qualify  
 1992 – did not qualify  
 1988 – did not qualify  
 1984 – did not qualify  
 1980 – did not qualify  
 1976 – did not qualify  
 1972 – did not qualify  
 1968 – did not qualify  
 1964 – did not qualify  
 1960 – did not participate

#### Qualifying win

**0-5:** Faroe Islands v Northern Ireland, 11/09/91

**5-0:** Northern Ireland v Cyprus, 21/04/71

#### Qualifying defeat

**1-5:** Northern Ireland v England, 17/10/79

**4-0:** four times, most recently Germany v Northern Ireland, 08/09/99

#### Overall appearances

**32:** Aaron Hughes

**32:** Chris Baird

**31:** Keith Gillespie

**29:** David Healy

**29:** Maik Taylor

**29:** Steven Davis

**27:** Pat Jennings

**24:** Chris Brunt

**24:** Kyle Lafferty

#### Overall goals

**13:** David Healy

**10:** Kyle Lafferty

**7:** Iain Dowie

**6:** Colin Clarke

**5:** James Quinn

**4:** George Best

**4:** Jimmy Nicholson

**4:** Gareth McAuley

**4:** Steven Davis

### UEFA EURO and FIFA World Cup campaigns

Season	Competition	Result	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
2016	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group	10	6	3	1	16	8
2014	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 5th in group	10	1	4	5	9	17
2012	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 5th in group	10	2	3	5	9	13

**UEFA EURO and FIFA World Cup campaigns**

2010	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 4th in group	10	4	3	3	13	9
2008	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	12	6	2	4	17	14
2006	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 4th in group	10	2	3	5	10	18
2004	EURO qualifying	Qualifying round, 5th in group	8	0	3	5	0	8
2002	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 5th in group	10	3	2	5	11	12
2000	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 4th in group	8	1	2	5	4	19
1998	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 5th in group	10	1	4	5	6	10
1996	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 3rd in group	10	5	2	3	20	15
1994	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 4th in group	12	5	3	4	14	13
1992	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 3rd in group	8	2	3	3	11	11
1990	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 4th in group	8	2	1	5	6	12
1988	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 3rd in group	6	1	1	4	2	10
1986	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	3	0	1	2	2	6
1986	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group (qualified)	8	4	2	2	8	5
1984	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 2nd in group	8	5	1	2	8	5
1982	World Cup finals	Final tournament - Group stage, 3rd in group	5	1	3	1	5	7
1982	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group (qualified)	8	3	3	2	6	3
1980	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 2nd in group	8	4	1	3	8	14
1978	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	6	2	1	3	7	6
1976	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 2nd in group	6	3	0	3	8	5
1974	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	6	1	3	2	5	6
1972	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 3rd in group	6	2	2	2	10	6
1970	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	4	2	1	1	7	3
1968	EURO qualifying	Preliminary round, 4th in group	6	1	1	4	2	8
1966	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	6	3	2	1	9	5
1964	EURO qualifying	Round of 16	4	2	1	1	5	2
1962	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 2nd in group	4	1	0	3	7	8
1958	World Cup finals	Quarter-finals	5	2	1	2	6	10
1958	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 1st in group (qualified)	4	2	1	1	6	3
1954	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 3rd in group	3	1	0	2	4	7
1950	World Cup qualifying	Qualifying round, 4th in group	3	0	1	2	4	17



## Northern Ireland - Head to head against teams in other pots

### Northern Ireland v Austria

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
12/10/2005	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Northern Ireland	2 - 0
13/10/2004	FIFA World Cup	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Austria	3 - 3
15/11/1995	UEFA EURO	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Austria	5 - 3
12/10/1994	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Northern Ireland	1 - 2
16/10/1991	UEFA EURO	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Austria	2 - 1
14/11/1990	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Northern Ireland	0 - 0
21/09/1983	UEFA EURO	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Austria	3 - 1
13/10/1982	UEFA EURO	Vienna (AUT)	Austria - Northern Ireland	2 - 0
01/07/1982	FIFA World Cup	Madrid (ESP)	Austria - Northern Ireland	2 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	6	4	1	1	12	8
World Cup	3	0	2	1	5	7
Friendlies	-	-	-	-	-	-

- The countries met for the first time in the second group stage of the 1982 FIFA World Cup. The 2-2 draw in Madrid, in which Billy Hamilton scored twice for Northern Ireland, benefited neither team as they were beaten to a semi-final place by France.
- Since then the countries have been drawn together in four qualifying groups, Northern Ireland registering four victories in eight matches to Austria's two.
- Current Northern Ireland head coach Michael O'Neill scored twice in the teams' most recent UEFA European Championship encounter, a 5-3 qualifying home win in Belfast in November 1995.

### Northern Ireland v Belgium

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
16/11/1977	FIFA World Cup	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Belgium	3 - 0
10/11/1976	FIFA World Cup	Liege (BEL)	Belgium - Northern Ireland	2 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	2	1	0	1	3	2
Friendlies	1	1	0	0	3	0

- Belgium and Northern Ireland traded home wins – 2-0 in Liege, 3-0 in Belfast – in qualifying for the 1978 FIFA World Cup but have not met competitively since.
- The only friendly encounter, in February 1997, resulted in another 3-0 victory for Northern Ireland at Windsor Park as Bryan Hamilton's side convincingly defeated Georges Leekens' visitors.
- Northern Ireland defender Paddy McNair is a Manchester United team-mate of Belgium's Marouane Fellaini.

### Northern Ireland v Croatia

No previous meetings

- Croatia and Northern Ireland have never met.

### Northern Ireland v Czech Republic

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
14/10/2009	FIFA World Cup	Prague (CZE)	Czech Republic - Northern Ireland	0 - 0
10/09/2008	FIFA World Cup	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Czech Republic	0 - 0
06/06/2001	FIFA World Cup	Teplice (CZE)	Czech Republic - Northern Ireland	3 - 1
24/03/2001	FIFA World Cup	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Czech Republic	0 - 1
17/06/1958	FIFA World Cup	Malmo (SWE)	Northern Ireland - Czechoslovakia	2 - 1 (aet)
08/06/1958	FIFA World Cup	Halmstad (SWE)	Northern Ireland - Czechoslovakia	1 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	6	2	2	2	4	5
Friendlies	-	-	-	-	-	-

- Although the nations are yet to contest a UEFA European Championship match, they have twice been drawn in the same FIFA World Cup qualifying group.
- The Czech Republic did the double over Northern Ireland on the road to the 2002 tournament but were held to two goalless draws in qualification for the 2010 event. Neither country qualified for the finals in Korea/Japan or South Africa.
- The nations will be in opposition again in qualifying for the 2018 World Cup.

### Northern Ireland v England

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
07/09/2005	FIFA World Cup	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - England	1 - 0
26/03/2005	FIFA World Cup	Manchester (ENG)	England - Northern Ireland	4 - 0
01/04/1987	UEFA EURO	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - England	0 - 2
15/10/1986	UEFA EURO	London (ENG)	England - Northern Ireland	3 - 0
13/11/1985	FIFA World Cup	London (ENG)	England - Northern Ireland	0 - 0
27/02/1985	FIFA World Cup	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - England	0 - 1
17/10/1979	UEFA EURO	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - England	1 - 5
07/02/1979	UEFA EURO	London (ENG)	England - Northern Ireland	4 - 0
22/11/1967	UEFA EURO	London (ENG)	England - Northern Ireland	2 - 0
22/10/1966	UEFA EURO	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - England	0 - 2
11/11/1953	FIFA World Cup	Liverpool (ENG)	England - Northern Ireland	3 - 1
16/11/1949	FIFA World Cup	Manchester (ENG)	England - Northern Ireland	9 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	6	0	0	6	1	18
World Cup	6	1	1	4	4	17
Friendlies	85	6	15	64	76	275

- Perennial Home International opponents from 1882 to 1984, England and Northern Ireland have met 98 times, with the former on 75 victories, the latter on seven.
- The countries qualified together for the 1986 FIFA World Cup after a 0-0 draw at Wembley followed a 1-0 win for England in Belfast.
- Two victories for England gave them the edge in the EURO '88 qualifiers, 3-0 at Wembley and 2-0 at Windsor Park.
- Having lost 4-0 to England at Old Trafford in the 2006 World Cup qualifiers, David Healy scored the goal that gave Northern Ireland a rapturously received 1-0 triumph over Sven Göran Eriksson's side in the Belfast return, the teams' last fixture.

### Northern Ireland v France

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
04/07/1982	FIFA World Cup	Madrid (ESP)	France - Northern Ireland	4 - 1
19/06/1958	FIFA World Cup	Norrköping (SWE)	France - Northern Ireland	4 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	2	0	0	2	1	8
Friendlies	6	0	3	3	3	10

- France are unbeaten in eight games against Northern Ireland with five victories to their name.
- Les Bleus put four goals past Northern Ireland in their two meetings at the FIFA World Cup finals. They prevailed 4-0 in 1958 with the help of a double from Just Fontaine, and 4-1 in 1982 thanks to two goals apiece for Alain Giresse and Dominique Rocheteau.
- The three friendlies since that 1982 World Cup have yielded just one goal – scored by France's Lilian Laslandes in an August 1999 contest at Windsor Park.
- Northern Ireland's Paddy McNair is a Manchester United team-mate of France's Morgan Schneiderlin and Anthony Martial.

### Northern Ireland v Germany

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
08/09/1999	UEFA EURO	Dortmund (GER)	Germany - Northern Ireland	4 - 0
27/03/1999	UEFA EURO	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Germany	0 - 3
20/08/1997	FIFA World Cup	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Germany	1 - 3
09/11/1996	FIFA World Cup	Nuremberg (GER)	Germany - Northern Ireland	1 - 1
16/11/1983	UEFA EURO	Hamburg (GER)	Germany - Northern Ireland	0 - 1
17/11/1982	UEFA EURO	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Germany	1 - 0
10/05/1961	FIFA World Cup	Berlin (GER)	Germany - Northern Ireland	2 - 1
26/10/1960	FIFA World Cup	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Germany	3 - 4
15/06/1958	FIFA World Cup	Malmö (SWE)	Germany - Northern Ireland	2 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	2	0	2	2	7
World Cup	5	0	2	3	8	12
Friendlies	5	0	2	3	3	13

- Northern Ireland famously did the double over West Germany in the qualifying competition for EURO '84, Ian Stewart scoring the only goal in Belfast and Norman Whiteside doing likewise in Hamburg. Those remain their only victories in 14 meetings.

- The only time the countries have come face to face at a major tournament was at the 1958 FIFA World Cup, a 2-2 group draw in Malmo. Both teams progressed to the quarter-finals.
- Just one match has been played between the sides this century – a June 2005 friendly in Belfast which Germany won 4-1 – but there will be two more in the 2018 World Cup qualifiers.

### Northern Ireland v Hungary

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
07/09/2015	UEFA EURO	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Hungary	1 - 1
07/09/2014	UEFA EURO	Budapest (HUN)	Hungary - Northern Ireland	1 - 2
06/09/1989	FIFA World Cup	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Hungary	1 - 2
19/10/1988	FIFA World Cup	Vienna (AUT)	Hungary - Northern Ireland	1 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	1	1	0	3	2
World Cup	2	0	0	2	1	3
Friendlies	2	0	0	2	0	3

- The teams were in the same UEFA EURO 2016 qualifying group, Northern Ireland finishing first and Hungary third.
- Michael O'Neill's side won the opening qualifier 2-1 in Budapest thanks to two late goals, the second of them from Kyle Lafferty. The forward struck three minutes into added time, cancelling out Richárd Guzmics' opener, to earn his side a 1-1 draw in the Windsor Park return.
- That was the first time Northern Ireland had avoided defeat in four Belfast fixtures against Hungary.

### Northern Ireland v Italy

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
11/10/2011	UEFA EURO	Pescara (ITA)	Italy - Northern Ireland	3 - 0
08/10/2010	UEFA EURO	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Italy	0 - 0
15/01/1958	FIFA World Cup	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Italy	2 - 1
25/04/1957	FIFA World Cup	Rome (ITA)	Italy - Northern Ireland	1 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	0	1	1	0	3
World Cup	2	1	0	1	2	2
Friendlies	5	0	1	4	4	12

- Northern Ireland have failed to score in their past five encounters with Italy, which include four away defeats and a goalless draw in Belfast.
- That draw came in the UEFA EURO 2012 qualifying campaign, but it proved an insignificant stumbling block for Cesare Prandelli's side. The Azzurri won the group by ten points, signing off with a 3-0 win against Nigel Worthington's team in Pescara, where Antonio Cassano scored twice.
- Northern Ireland's only victory over Italy, 2-1 at Windsor Park in January 1958, was a crucial one as it took the team through to that year's FIFA World Cup in Sweden, eliminating their opponents. That remains the only time in 19 attempts that Italy have failed to qualify for the World Cup.

**Northern Ireland v Poland****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
05/09/2009	FIFA World Cup	Chorzow (POL)	Poland - Northern Ireland	1 - 1
28/03/2009	FIFA World Cup	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Poland	3 - 2
30/03/2005	FIFA World Cup	Warsaw (POL)	Poland - Northern Ireland	1 - 0
04/09/2004	FIFA World Cup	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Poland	0 - 3
28/11/1962	UEFA EURO	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Poland	2 - 0 (agg: 4-0)
10/10/1962	UEFA EURO	Chorzow (POL)	Poland - Northern Ireland	0 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	2	0	0	4	0
World Cup	4	1	1	2	4	7
Friendlies	3	1	1	1	5	6

- The nations have not met in the UEFA European Championship since 1962, when Northern Ireland won two qualifiers in two months – 2-0 in Chorzow and 2-0 again in Belfast.
- It took Poland 43 years to exact their revenge, winning both 2006 FIFA World Cup qualifiers, for which they progressed as section runners-up to England. Maciej Żurawski scored in both games as Poland won 3-0 in Belfast and 1-0 in Warsaw.
- Northern Ireland were back in charge for the 2010 World Cup qualifiers, winning 3-2 at home and drawing 1-1 away with Kyle Lafferty opening the scoring in Chorzow. Neither side made it to South Africa.

**Northern Ireland v Portugal****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
06/09/2013	FIFA World Cup	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Portugal	2 - 4
16/10/2012	FIFA World Cup	Porto (POR)	Portugal - Northern Ireland	1 - 1
11/10/1997	FIFA World Cup	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Northern Ireland	1 - 0
29/03/1997	FIFA World Cup	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Portugal	0 - 0
03/09/1995	UEFA EURO	Porto (POR)	Portugal - Northern Ireland	1 - 1
07/09/1994	UEFA EURO	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Portugal	1 - 2
29/04/1981	FIFA World Cup	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Portugal	1 - 0
19/11/1980	FIFA World Cup	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Northern Ireland	1 - 0
14/11/1973	FIFA World Cup	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Northern Ireland	1 - 1
28/03/1973	FIFA World Cup	Coventry (ENG)	Northern Ireland - Portugal	1 - 1
01/05/1957	FIFA World Cup	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Portugal	3 - 0
16/01/1957	FIFA World Cup	Lisbon (POR)	Portugal - Northern Ireland	1 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	0	1	1	2	3
World Cup	10	2	5	3	10	10
Friendlies	1	0	1	0	1	1

- Seven of the 13 internationals played between Northern Ireland and Portugal have been draws, including four of the six games staged in Portugal, where the home side have never scored more than once in any game. The teams have never met at a final tournament.
- There was a familiar outcome to the first of the nations' two 2014 FIFA World Cup qualifiers as Northern Ireland held Portugal to a 1-1 draw in Lisbon. The return in Belfast was dominated by Cristiano Ronaldo, who scored a second-half hat-trick to give his team a 4-2 win after they had trailed 2-1.

- Northern Ireland captain Steven Davis is a Southampton team-mate of Portugal defenders Cédric and José Fonte.

## Northern Ireland v Romania

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
13/06/2015	UEFA EURO	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Romania	0 - 0
14/11/2014	UEFA EURO	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Northern Ireland	2 - 0
16/10/1985	FIFA World Cup	Bucharest (ROU)	Romania - Northern Ireland	0 - 1
12/09/1984	FIFA World Cup	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Romania	3 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	0	1	1	0	2
World Cup	2	2	0	0	4	2
Friendlies	2	1	0	1	2	2

- The teams qualified from the same group for UEFA EURO 2016. Romania had the better of the head-to-head contests – 2-0 in Bucharest with two goals from defender Paul Papp, 0-0 in Belfast – but Northern Ireland won the group.
- Current coach Anghel Iordănescu was in charge the last time Northern Ireland defeated Romania – 2-0 in a March 1994 friendly. A few months later, however, he led Romania to the quarter-finals of the FIFA World Cup in the United States.
- That victory made it three wins out of three for Northern Ireland against Romania. In their only two previous encounters, qualifiers for the 1986 World Cup, Billy Bingham's side overcame Mircea Lucescu's Romania 3-2 in Belfast and 1-0 in Bucharest.

## Northern Ireland v Russia

### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
14/08/2013	FIFA World Cup	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Russia	1 - 0
07/09/2012	FIFA World Cup	Moscow (RUS)	Russia - Northern Ireland	2 - 0
13/10/1971	UEFA EURO	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - USSR	1 - 1
22/09/1971	UEFA EURO	Moscow (RUS)	USSR - Northern Ireland	1 - 0
22/10/1969	FIFA World Cup	Moscow (RUS)	USSR - Northern Ireland	2 - 0
10/09/1969	FIFA World Cup	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - USSR	0 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	0	1	1	1	2
World Cup	4	1	1	2	1	4
Friendlies	-	-	-	-	-	-

- The countries met for the first time in 2014 FIFA World Cup qualifying, Russia winning the first fixture 2-0 in Moscow in Fabio Capello's first competitive game as head coach.
- Capello's side succumbed to a 1-0 defeat in the Belfast return – a game postponed for five months because of bad weather. Martin Paterson scored the winning goal.
- Four qualifiers between the USSR and Northern Ireland brought two home wins for the former and a pair of draws in Belfast.

**Northern Ireland v Slovakia****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
09/09/2009	FIFA World Cup	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Slovakia	0 - 2
06/09/2008	FIFA World Cup	Bratislava (SVK)	Slovakia - Northern Ireland	2 - 1
17/06/1958	FIFA World Cup	Malmö (SWE)	Northern Ireland - Czechoslovakia	2 - 1 (aet)
08/06/1958	FIFA World Cup	Halmstad (SWE)	Northern Ireland - Czechoslovakia	1 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	4	2	0	2	4	5
Friendlies	1	1	0	0	1	0

• Northern Ireland won the first encounter between the nations – a Belfast friendly in March 1998 (1-0) – but Slovakia claimed maximum points when the teams met in qualifying for the 2010 FIFA World Cup.

• A 2-1 victory in Bratislava, thanks to goals from Martin Škrtel and Marek Hamšík, was followed by a 2-0 success at Windsor Park, with Stanislav Sesták and Filip Hološko on target. Vladimír Weiss's team qualified as group winners for the finals in South Africa.

**Northern Ireland v Spain****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
21/11/2007	UEFA EURO	Las Palmas de Gran Canaria (ESP)	Spain - Northern Ireland	1 - 0
06/09/2006	UEFA EURO	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Spain	3 - 2
11/06/2003	UEFA EURO	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Spain	0 - 0
12/10/2002	UEFA EURO	Albacete (ESP)	Spain - Northern Ireland	3 - 0
28/04/1993	FIFA World Cup	Seville (ESP)	Spain - Northern Ireland	3 - 1
14/10/1992	FIFA World Cup	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Spain	0 - 0
08/02/1989	FIFA World Cup	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Spain	0 - 2
21/12/1988	FIFA World Cup	Seville (ESP)	Spain - Northern Ireland	4 - 0
07/06/1986	FIFA World Cup	Guadalajara (MEX)	Northern Ireland - Spain	1 - 2
25/06/1982	FIFA World Cup	Valencia (ESP)	Northern Ireland - Spain	1 - 0
16/02/1972	UEFA EURO	Hull (ENG)	Northern Ireland - Spain	1 - 1
11/11/1970	UEFA EURO	Seville (ESP)	Spain - Northern Ireland	3 - 0
30/10/1963	UEFA EURO	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Spain	0 - 1 (agg: 1-2)
30/05/1963	UEFA EURO	Bilbao (ESP)	Spain - Northern Ireland	1 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	8	1	3	4	5	12
World Cup	6	1	1	4	3	11
Friendlies	4	0	1	3	3	15

• Northern Ireland famously beat hosts Spain 1-0 at the 1982 FIFA World Cup, Gerry Armstrong's 47th-minute strike in Valencia taking Billy Bingham's side through to the second phase.

• Four years later in Mexico, Spain got their revenge with a 2-1 win. Emilio Butragueño and Julio Salinas scored for the Roja in Guadalajara as Northern Ireland exited at the group stage.

• The teams last met in qualifying for UEFA EURO 2008 when Northern Ireland pulled off another shock, defeating

Luis Aragonés's eventual winners 3-2 at Windsor Park thanks to a David Healy hat-trick. Spain won the return match 1-0 in Las Palmas with a goal from Xavi Hernández – the nations' last meeting.

### Northern Ireland v Sweden

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
17/10/2007	UEFA EURO	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Northern Ireland	1 - 1
28/03/2007	UEFA EURO	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Sweden	2 - 1
03/06/1981	FIFA World Cup	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Northern Ireland	1 - 0
15/10/1980	FIFA World Cup	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Sweden	3 - 0
03/09/1975	UEFA EURO	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Sweden	1 - 2
30/10/1974	UEFA EURO	Solna (SWE)	Sweden - Northern Ireland	0 - 2

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	4	2	1	1	6	4
World Cup	2	1	0	1	3	1
Friendlies	1	0	0	1	1	2

- Historically the nations are evenly matched, with three victories apiece in seven encounters.
- Northern Ireland got the better of their Scandinavian opponents in the qualifying competition for UEFA EURO 2008. They came from behind to win 2-1 at Windsor Park with two David Healy goals and drew 1-1 in Solna thanks to a Kyle Lafferty equaliser.
- Lafferty is a club colleague of Sweden defender Martin Olsson at Norwich City.

### Northern Ireland v Switzerland

#### Meetings in official competitions

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
14/11/1964	FIFA World Cup	Lausanne (SUI)	Switzerland - Northern Ireland	2 - 1
14/10/1964	FIFA World Cup	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Switzerland	1 - 0

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	-	-	-	-	-	-
World Cup	2	1	0	1	2	2
Friendlies	2	1	1	0	1	0

- Matches between the nations have been few and far between: the last competitive fixtures were more than half a century ago.
- There were home wins for both teams as Switzerland beat Northern Ireland to a place at the 1966 FIFA World Cup in England by a single point.
- The most recent encounter, a Zurich friendly in August 2004, ended goalless.



**Northern Ireland v Ukraine****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Competitions	Venue	Match	Score
06/09/2003	UEFA EURO	Donetsk (UKR)	Ukraine - Northern Ireland	0 - 0
16/10/2002	UEFA EURO	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Ukraine	0 - 0
02/04/1997	FIFA World Cup	Kyiv (UKR)	Ukraine - Northern Ireland	2 - 1
31/08/1996	FIFA World Cup	Belfast (NIR)	Northern Ireland - Ukraine	0 - 1

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO	2	0	2	0	0	0
World Cup	2	0	0	2	1	3
Friendlies	-	-	-	-	-	-

- Both previous UEFA European Championship matches between the countries – in qualification for UEFA EURO 2004 – ended goalless.
- In the teams' only other meetings, Ukraine did the double over Northern Ireland in 1998 FIFA World Cup qualifying. The winning goals came from Serhiy Rebrov in Belfast (1-0) and Andriy Shevchenko in Kyiv (2-1).

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## UEFA EURO 2016 venues

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### Stade de Bordeaux (Bordeaux)

**UEFA capacity: 42,000**

**Tenants: FC Girondins de Bordeaux**

**Opened: May 2015**

- The construction of the €184m Stade de Bordeaux began at the start of 2013 and was completed 26 months later, the stadium hosting its first game on the last weekend of the 2014/15 Ligue 1 season.
- It has been designed by Swiss firm Herzog & de Meuron, the team behind the Fußball Arena München, and features a 'floating' roof supported by 900 stanchions, designed to resemble local Landes-pine posts.
- Located between a man-made lake and the Garonne river in north Bordeaux, it has replaced the Stade Chaban-Delmas – venue for games at the 1938 and 1998 FIFA World Cups – as home for the Girondins.

### Stade Bollaert-Delelis (Lens)

**UEFA capacity: 35,000**

**Tenants: RC Lens**

**Reopened: August 2015 (original opened in June 1933)**

- One of France's most iconic football landmarks, the ground was originally named after the former commercial director of the Lens Mining Company, Félix Bollaert. The suffix Delelis was officially added in September 2012, a few days after the death of André Delelis – mayor of the city from 1966 to 1998 and a diehard supporter of the club.
- Built by unemployed miners, the venue originally possessed an oval shape but began to take on a rectangular form when the first of four new stands was unveiled in 1976.
- The stadium underwent renovation work and improvements ahead of both the 1984 UEFA European Championship and 1998 FIFA World Cup, and was also used during the 2007 Rugby World Cup. The rebuilding programme ahead of UEFA EURO 2016 will last until late 2015.

### Stade Pierre Mauroy (Lille)

**UEFA capacity: 50,000**

**Tenants: LOSC Lille**

**Opened: August 2012**

- Located in the suburb of Villeneuve d'Ascq, 6km south-east of Lille city centre, the stadium was constructed by the company behind the Millau Viaduct in Aveyron.
- The arena's retractable roof can be opened or closed in 30 minutes, while half of the pitch can be raised above the other for use in music performances and other sports.
- The capacity is more than double that of LOSC's previous homes, Stade Grimonprez-Jooris and Stadium Lille Métropole.

### Stade de Lyon (Lyon)

**UEFA capacity: 59,000**

**Tenants: Olympique Lyonnais**

**Due to open: 9 January 2016, Ligue 1 match v Troyes**

- Located in the commune of Decines-Charpieu, 10km east of central Lyon, the stadium will form part of a complex stretched over 50 hectares and featuring a training ground for OL as well as hotels and office buildings.
- Constructed under the project name Grand Stade OL, the finished venue will consist of three tiers.
- The arena replaces the Stade de Gerland, Lyon's home since 1950 and among seven venues for the 1984 UEFA European Championship, hosting Denmark's semi-final loss on penalties to Spain. The Stade de Gerland was also a venue for the 1998 FIFA World Cup, staging Croatia's 3-0 quarter-final victory against Germany.

### Stade Vélodrome (Marseille)

**UEFA capacity: 67,000**

**Tenants: Olympique de Marseille**

**Reopened: October 2014 (original opened June 1937)**

- Famously open to the elements in the past, the renovated stadium now features a roof. The estimated €267m makeover was carried out with the team still playing matches there and was completed in September 2014.
- As its name suggests, Stade Vélodrome possessed a cycling track when it first opened in 1937, though the new venue's opening ceremony was capped by a football match between Marseille and Italian side Torino. The stadium

has also hosted athletics, rugby, boxing, tennis, hockey and even motorsports, though its days as an all-purpose arena ended when the cycling track was removed in 1985.

- Stade Vélodrome staged matches at the 1938 and 1998 FIFA World Cups, with its capacity increased to 60,000 for the latter tournament; it also hosted games at the 1960 and 1984 UEFA European Championships.

#### **Stade de Nice (Nice)**

**UEFA capacity: 35,000**

**Tenants: OGC Nice**

**Opened: September 2013**

- The ecofriendly Stade de Nice threw open its doors for OGC Nice's 4-0 Ligue 1 win against Valenciennes FC on 22 September 2013. The crowds descended on the stadium over four hours before kick-off, with the four stands – Garibaldi, Ray, Ségurane and Sud – being officially inaugurated with a spectacular pyrotechnic display.

- Drawing over three times its own energy requirements from more than 4,000 solar panels, and with its own geothermal installation for heating, it uses rain water channelled from the stadium roof into four collection reservoirs for pitch watering.

- The sixth largest football stadium in France also houses the Musée National du Sport (National Sport Museum), which moved to the Côte d'Azur from Paris. More than 45,000 pieces and 400,000 documents, comprising one of the largest collections in the world, are now on show in the venue designed by Jean-Michel Wilmotte.

#### **Parc des Princes (Paris)**

**UEFA capacity: 45,000**

**Tenants: Paris Saint-Germain**

**Opened: May 1972**

- Situated in the south-west of the French capital, the Parc des Princes owes its name to its location on terrain used as a royal hunting ground in the 18th century. The current stadium is the third to have been built on the site, the first opening its doors in 1897 and the second in 1932.

- The Parc des Princes was the finishing point of the Tour de France from 1903 to 1967; it also boasts a long history as an international rugby venue. It has hosted six European club football finals, including the first ever European Champion Clubs' Cup showpiece in 1956 when Real Madrid beat Reims 4-3; in addition to staging games at the 1938 and 1998 FIFA World Cups, the stadium was the venue for the 1960 and 1984 UEFA European Championships finals.

- The stadium has been renovated for UEFA EURO 2016, the first part of the renovations being completed in summer 2014, with two new rows of seats added closer to the pitch, as well as new substitutes' benches and brand new executive boxes and lounges.

#### **Stade de France (Saint-Denis)**

**UEFA capacity: 80,000**

**Tenants: France national team**

**Opened: January 1998**

- Constructed ahead of the 1998 FIFA World Cup, the Stade de France has hosted major events in football, rugby, athletics, motorsport and concerts from artists ranging from André Rieu to AC/DC. U2 held three dates of their 360° Tour at the Stade de France in 2009 and 2010, attracting an aggregate attendance of 283,084.

- The venue features movable seating, which can be retracted to uncover part of the athletics track, while the elliptical roof was designed to protect spectators while leaving the pitch uncovered.

- It has the unique distinction of having hosted World Cup finals for football (France 3-0 Brazil, 1998) and rugby (South Africa 15-6 England, 2007). The arena has staged two UEFA Champions League finals, Real Madrid's 3-0 win against Valencia in 2000 and Barcelona's 2-1 triumph over Arsenal six years later.

#### **Stade Geoffroy Guichard (Saint-Etienne)**

**UEFA capacity: 42,000**

**Tenants: AS Saint-Étienne**

**Opened: September 1931**

- Known affectionately as Le Chaudron (the Cauldron) due to its reputation for atmosphere, the stadium is named after the founder of the Casino retail chain, under whose auspices AS Saint-Étienne originally came into being. Situated to the north of the city centre, the ground was built on old mine tunnels and next to a steel factory, and in the early days, fumes from the plant's chimneys were known to drift across the pitch.

- The stadium originally incorporated an athletics track, though this was removed in 1956 ahead of rebuilding work that moved supporters closer to the action. The venue staged matches at the 1984 UEFA European Championship,

1998 FIFA World Cup and 2007 Rugby World Cup, undergoing renovation work in the run-up to each tournament.

- Famed in the past for an 'English-style' design due to its four separate stands, the ground has had a facelift that enlarged its capacity to 41,500 while also making the venue more eco-friendly. The work was done with Saint-Étienne in situ and was completed in late 2014.

**Stadium de Toulouse (Toulouse)****UEFA capacity: 33,000****Tenants: Toulouse FC****Opened: 1937**

- Situated on an island in the heart of Toulouse, the stadium was built specifically for the 1938 FIFA World Cup and was soon labelled 'mini Wembley' because of its resemblance to the iconic London venue.
- The biggest ground in the Midi-Pyrenees region, the stadium underwent considerable renovations in 1949 and 1997, the latter work coming ahead of the 1998 World Cup, when it hosted six matches. Following extensive repair efforts after a nearby chemical plant suffered a major explosion in 2001, further upgrading work took place ahead of UEFA EURO 2016.
- The arena has witnessed many of Toulouse's finest moments, including a UEFA Cup first round victory against Napoli in October 1986, when Diego Maradona fired against a post during the penalty shoot-out.



# UEFA EURO 2016 match schedule

## MATCH SCHEDULE / CALENDRIER DES MATCHES



	<b>BORDEAUX</b> Stade de Bordeaux 42,000	<b>LENS AGGLO</b> Stade Bollaert-Delelis 35,000	<b>LILLE MÉTROPOLÉ</b> Stade Pierre Mauroy 50,100	<b>LYON</b> Stade de Lyon 58,000	<b>MARSEILLE</b> Stade Vélodrome 67,000	<b>NICE</b> Stade de Nice 35,000	<b>PARIS</b> Parc des Princes 45,000	<b>SAINT-DENIS</b> Stade de France 80,000	<b>SAINT-ÉTIENNE</b> Stade Geoffroy Guichard 41,500	<b>TOULOUSE</b> Stadium de Toulouse 33,000
								1 FRA-A2 21:00		
Match day 1 1ère journée de matches	10.06									
	11.06	3 B3-B4 18:00	2 A3-A4 15:00		4 B1-B2 21:00					
	12.06			7 C1-C2 21:00		6 C3-C4 18:00	5 D3-D4 15:00			
Match day 2 2ème journée de matches	13.06				10 E1-E2 21:00			9 E3-E4 18:00		8 D1-D2 15:00
	14.06	11 F3-F4 18:00							12 F1-F2 21:00	
	15.06		13 B2-B4 15:00		15 FRA-A3 21:00		14 A2-A4 18:00			
Match day 3 3ème journée de matches	16.06		16 B1-B3 15:00		17 C2-C4 18:00			18 C1-C3 21:00		
	17.06					21 D1-D3 21:00			20 D2-D4 18:00	19 E2-E4 15:00
	18.06	22 E1-E3 15:00				23 F2-F4 18:00		24 F1-F3 21:00		
Match day 3 3ème journée de matches	19.06			26 A4-FRA 21:00	25 A2-A3 21:00					
	20.06								28 B4-B1 21:00	27 B2-B3 21:00
	21.06	32 D4-D1 21:00	31 D2-D3 21:00			29 C2-C3 18:00	30 C4-C1 18:00			
	22.06		35 E2-E3 21:00	34 F4-F1 18:00		36 E4-E1 21:00		33 F2-F3 18:00		
23.06 24.06 Rest days / Jours de repos										
Round of 16 Huitièmes de finale	25.06		39 WD-3B/E/F 21:00				38 WB-3A/C/D 18:00		37 RA-RC 15:00	
	26.06			41 WC-3A/B/F 18:00	40 WA-3C/D/E 15:00					42 WF-RE 21:00
	27.06						44 RB-RF 21:00	43 WE-RD 18:00		
28.06 29.06 Rest days / Jours de repos										
Quarter-finals Quarts de finale	30.06				45 W37 v W39 21:00					
	01.07			46 W38 v W42 21:00						
	02.07	47 W41 v W43 21:00								48 W40 v W44 21:00
03.07 04.07 05.07 Rest days / Jours de repos										
Semi-finals Demi-finales	06.07				49 W45 v W46 21:00					
	07.07					50 W47 v W48 21:00				
	08.07 09.07	Rest days / Jours de repos								
Final / Finale	10.07									51 W49 v W50 21:00

Group matches / Matches de groupe

Group / Groupe

W = Winner, R = Runner-up, 3 = Third-placed  
 The UEFA EURO 2016 final tournament takes place from Friday 10 June to Sunday 10 July 2016.  
 Kick-off times are CET.  
 UEFA will publish the final match schedule after the draw of 12 December 2015.

W = Vainqueur, R = Deuxième, 3 = Troisième  
 La phase finale de l'UEFA EURO 2016 se déroulera du vendredi 10 juin au dimanche 10 juillet 2016.  
 Les heures de coup d'envoi sont indiquées en HEC.  
 L'UEFA publiera la version finale du calendrier après le tirage au sort du 12 décembre 2015.

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## UEFA EURO all-time finals

### 1960

#### Winner: USSR

Date	Match	Result	Stadium, Venue	Goalscorers
10/07/1960	USSR - Yugoslavia	2-1 (aet)	Parc des Princes, Paris	Metreveli 49, Ponedelnik 113 ET; Galić 43
<b>USSR:</b> Yashin, Chokheli, Maslennikov, Krutikov, Voinov, Netto, Metreveli, Ivanov, Ponedelnik, Bubukin, Meskhi <b>Yugoslavia:</b> Vidinić, Djurković, Jusufi, Žanetić, Miladinović, Perušić, Šekularac, Jerković, Galić, Matuš, Kostić				

### 1964

#### Winner: Spain

Date	Match	Result	Stadium, Venue	Goalscorers
21/06/1964	Spain - USSR	2-1	Estadio Santiago Bernabéu, Madrid	Pereda 6, Marcelino Martínez 84; Khusainov 8
<b>Spain:</b> Iribar, Rivilla, Olivella, Calleja, Zoco, Fusté, Amancio Amaro, Pereda, Marcelino Martínez, Suárez, Lapetra <b>USSR:</b> Yashin, Shustikov, Schesternev, Mudrik, Voronin, Anichkin, Chislenko, Ivanov, Ponedelnik, Korneev, Khusainov				

### 1968

#### Winner: Italy

Date	Match	Result	Stadium, Venue	Goalscorers
08/06/1968	Italy - Yugoslavia	1-1	Stadio Olimpico, Rome	Domenghini 80; Džajić 39
<b>Italy:</b> Zoff, Anastasi, Burgnich, Castano, Domenghini, Facchetti, Ferrini, Guarneri, Juliano, Lodetti, Prati <b>Yugoslavia:</b> Pantelić, Fazlagić, Damjanović, Paunović, Holcer, Petković, Musemić, Džajić, Pavlović, Aćimović, Trivić				

Date	Match	Result	Stadium, Venue	Goalscorers
10/06/1968	Italy - Yugoslavia	2-0 Rep	Stadio Olimpico, Rome	Riva 12, Anastasi 31
<b>Italy:</b> Zoff, Anastasi, Burgnich, De Sisti, Domenghini, Facchetti, Guarneri, Mazzola, Riva, Rosato, Salvatore <b>Yugoslavia:</b> Pantelić, Fazlagić, Damjanović, Paunović, Holcer, Musemić, Džajić, Pavlović, Aćimović, Trivić, Hošić				

### 1972

#### Winner: West Germany

Date	Match	Result	Stadium, Venue	Goalscorers
18/06/1972	West Germany - USSR	3-0	King Baudouin Stadium, Brussels	G. Müller 27, 58, Wimmer 52
<b>West Germany:</b> Maier, Hötter, Breitner, Schwarzenbeck, Beckenbauer, Wimmer, Heynckes, U. Hoernes, G. Müller, Netzer, Kremers <b>USSR:</b> Rudakov, Dzodzuashvili, Khurtsilava, Kaplychniy, Istomin, Konkov, Troshkin, Kolotov, Baidachny (66 Kozynkevych), Banishevski (46 Dolmatov), Onyshchenko				



## 1976

### Winner: Czechoslovakia

Date	Match	Result	Stadium, Venue	Goalscorers
20/06/1976	Czechoslovakia - West Germany	2-2 aet, 5-3 pens	Stadion FK Crvena zvezda, Belgrade	Švehlík 8, Dobiaš 25; D. Müller 28, Hölzenbein 89

**Czechoslovakia:** Viktor, Dobiaš (19 Veselý), Čapkovič, Ondruš, Pivarník, Panenka, Móder, Masný, Nehoda (80 Biroš), Gögh, Švehlík

**West Germany:** Maier, Vogts, Dietz, Schwarzenbeck, Beckenbauer, Wimmer (46 Flohe), Bonhof, U. Hoeness, D. Müller, Beer (80 Bongartz), Hölzenbein

## 1980

### Winner: West Germany

Date	Match	Result	Stadium, Venue	Goalscorers
22/06/1980	Belgium - West Germany	1-2	Stadio Olimpico, Rome	Vandereycken 75 (P); Hrubesch 10, 88

**Belgium:** Pfaff, Gerets, Millecamps, Meeuws, Renquin, Van Moer, Vandereycken, Cools, Mommens, Van Der Elst, Ceulemans

**West Germany:** Schumacher, Kaltz, Förster, Stielike, Dietz, Schuster, Briegel (55 Cullmann), H. Müller, K-H. Rummenigge, Hrubesch, K. Allofs

## 1984

### Winner: France

Date	Match	Result	Stadium, Venue	Goalscorers
27/06/1984	France - Spain	2-0	Parc des Princes, Paris	Platini 57, Bellone 90

**France:** Bats, Battiston (73 Amoros), Bossis, Le Roux, Domergue, Tigana, Fernández, Platini, Giresse, Lacombe (80 Genghini), Bellone

**Spain:** Arconada, Urquiaga, Salva (85 Roberto), Gallego, Camacho, Julio Alberto (75 Sarabia), Señor, Víctor Muñoz, Francisco López, Santillana, Carrasco

## 1988

### Winner: Netherlands

Date	Match	Result	Stadium, Venue	Goalscorers
25/06/1988	USSR - Netherlands	0-2	Olympiastadion, Munich	Gullit 32, Van Basten 54

**USSR:** Dasayev, Khidiyatullin, Demianenko, Rats, Aleinikov, Lytovchenko, Zavarov, Protasov (71 Pasulko), Belanov, Mykhailychenko, Gotsmanov (68 Baltacha)

**Netherlands:** Van Breukelen, Van Tiggelen, Koeman, Van Aerle, Vanenburg, Mühren, Gullit, Van Basten, Koeman, Rijkaard, Wouters

## 1992

## Winner: Denmark

Date	Match	Result	Stadium, Venue	Goalscorers
26/06/1992	Denmark - Germany	2-0	Ullevi, Gothenburg	Jensen 18, Vilfort 78
<p><b>Denmark:</b> Schmeichel, Sivebæk (66 Christiansen), Nielsen, Olsen, Christofte, Jensen, Povlsen, B. Laudrup, Piechnik, Larsen, Vilfort  <b>Germany:</b> Illgner, Reuter, Brehme, Kohler, Buchwald, Hässler, Riedle, Helmer, Sammer (46 Doll), Effenberg (80 Thom), Klinsmann</p>				

## 1996

### Winner: Germany

Date	Match	Result	Stadium, Venue	Goalscorers
30/06/1996	Czech Republic - Germany	1-2 gg	Wembley, London	Berger 59 (P); Bierhoff 73, 95 ET
<p><b>Czech Republic:</b> Kouba, Suchopárek, Nedvěd, Kadlec, Němec, Poborský (88 Šmicer), Kuka, Bejbl, Berger, Horňák, Rada  <b>Germany:</b> Köpke, Helmer, Sammer, Scholl (69 Bierhoff), Hässler, Kuntz, Babbel, Ziege, Klinsmann, Strunz, Eilts (46 Bode)</p>				

## 2000

### Winner: France

Date	Match	Result	Stadium, Venue	Goalscorers
02/07/2000	France - Italy	2-1 gg	Feijenoord Stadion, Rotterdam	Wiltord 90, Trezeguet 103 ET; Delvecchio 55
<p><b>France:</b> Barthez, Lizarazu (86 Pirès), Vieira, Blanc, Djorkaeff (76 Trezeguet), Deschamps, Desailly, Zidane, Henry, Thuram, Dugarry (58 Wiltord)  <b>Italy:</b> Toldo, Maldini, Albertini, Cannavaro, Pessotto, Nesta, Di Biagio (66 Ambrosini), Iuliano, Fiore (53 Del Piero), Totti, Delvecchio (86 Montella)</p>				

## 2004

### Winner: Greece

Date	Match	Result	Stadium, Venue	Goalscorers
04/07/2004	Portugal - Greece	0-1	Estádio do Sport Lisboa e Benfica, Lisbon	Charisteads 57
<p><b>Portugal:</b> Ricardo, Jorge Andrade, Costinha (60 Rui Costa), Luís Figo, Pauleta (74 Nuno Gomes), Miguel (43 Ferreira), Nuno Valente, Carvalho, Ronaldo, Maniche, Deco  <b>Greece:</b> Nikopolidis, Seitaridis, Dellas, Basinas, Zagorakis, Giannakopoulos (76 Venetidis), Charisteads, Fyssas, Vryzas (81 Papadopoulos), Kapsis, Katsouranis</p>				

## 2008

### Winner: Spain

Date	Match	Result	Stadium, Venue	Goalscorers
29/06/2008	Germany - Spain	0-1	Ernst-Happel-Stadion, Vienna	Torres 33

**Winner: Spain**

Date	Match	Result	Stadium, Venue	Goalscorers
<p><b>Germany:</b> Lehmann, Friedrich, Schweinsteiger, Frings, Klose (79 Gomez), Ballack, Hitzlsperger (58 Kuranyi), Lahm (46 Jansen), Mertesacker, Podolski, Metzelder</p> <p><b>Spain:</b> Casillas, Marchena, Puyol, Iniesta, Xavi Hernández, Torres (78 Güiza), Fàbregas (63 Xabi Alonso), Capdevila, Ramos, Senna, Silva (66 Santi Cazorla)</p>				

**2012****Winner: Spain**

Date	Match	Result	Stadium, Venue	Goalscorers
01/07/2012	Spain - Italy	4-0	NSK Olimpiyskiy, Kyiv	Silva 14, Jordi Alba 41, Torres 84, Juan Mata 88
<p><b>Spain:</b> Casillas, Piqué, Iniesta (87 Juan Mata), Xavi Hernández, Fàbregas (75 Torres), Xabi Alonso, Ramos, Busquets, Arbeloa, Jordi Alba, Silva (59 Pedro Rodríguez)</p> <p><b>Italy:</b> Buffon, Chiellini (21 Balzaretti), Abate, Marchisio, Balotelli, Cassano (46 Di Natale), Barzagli, De Rossi, Montolivo (57 Thiago Motta), Bonucci, Pirlo</p>				

## Social responsibility and sustainability

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### Social Responsibility and Sustainability

Jacques Lambert, EURO 2016 SAS president: "A coherent policy of social and environmental responsibility is an integral part of the organisation of major sporting events. It is not a luxury, much less a gadget but a civic responsibility and has now become an operational requirement as much as safety, marketing or ticketing sales."

UEFA's social responsibility and sustainability strategy for UEFA EURO 2016 aim to:

- reduce the environmental impact
- integrate a social dimension into the tournament
- measure the economic impact derived from the organisation of such a big sports event

The strategy also has a very strong focus on ensuring UEFA EURO 2016 leaves a positive legacy of sustainability for the host cities, the stadiums, French football and UEFA.

Capitalising on UEFA EURO 2008 and UEFA EURO 2012 social responsibility initiatives and building on the RESPECT campaign, UEFA and the EURO 2016 SAS have defined eight priorities. In order to ensure a realistic and achievable strategy, concrete and measurable objectives have been set for each priority.

- **Respect Access for All** – to make the UEFA EURO 2016 stadiums fully accessible and therefore inclusive, in collaboration with the Centre for Access to Football in Europe (CAFE).
- **Respect Health** – tobacco-free tournament. To create a smoke-free environment for all ticket holders, staff and suppliers at all UEFA EURO 2016 stadiums past the turnstile, in collaboration with the World Heart Federation and Healthy Stadia.
- **Respect Diversity** – anti-discrimination match monitoring: To monitor matches against racist and discriminatory incidents, and to reduce the number of such incidents, in collaboration with the FARE network (Football Against Racism in Europe).
- **Respect Fan Culture** – fan embassies: To offer a support service for football fans by setting up 'fan embassies' in host cities, in collaboration with Football Supporters Europe (FSE).
- **Respect Environment – public transport and mobility**: to minimise the environmental impacts of transport, to ensure efficient mobility to, between and within the host cities for spectators, visitors and residents, and to encourage public transport and walking.

UEFA has worked with Climate Friendly to develop the UEFA EURO 2016 Eco-Calculator (<https://encocalculator.uefa.com/journey>). This online tool enable the fans to explore how their journey to the tournament contributes to greenhouse gas emissions and offset their emissions. Moreover, UEFA also measures, reduces and offsets the CO2 emissions associated with its necessary air travel.

- **Respect Environment – waste management**: to optimise waste management by reducing, reusing and recycling ('3R' strategy) and to achieve 50% recycling rate, zero waste to landfill and improved public awareness.
- **Respect Environment – energy and water**: to promote renewable and green energy, water harvesting, and to foster optimisation.
- **Respect Environment – sourcing of products and services**: to promote responsible sourcing of products and services, to help buyers to consider environmental and social issues within the supply chain and to engage suppliers and licensees to follow social responsibility and sustainability guidelines.

The priorities as well as the strategy and measures to implement them are detailed in the 'One Year To Go' report on social responsibility and sustainability.

UEFA will use the Global Reporting Initiative (GRI) guidelines (<https://www.globalreporting.org/Pages/default.aspx>) for its UEFA EURO 2016 social responsibility and sustainability reporting. The key performance indicators (KPIs) of UEFA EURO 2016 will be shared through a post-event report, which will also analyse all implemented actions, successes and lessons learned.

UEFA and the EURO 2016 SAS will attempt the ISO 2012-1 certification for UEFA EURO 2016 operations. ISO 2012-1 is a framework for implementing sustainability throughout event management operations. It is a way of working to make sure sustainability is taken into account at every step when planning and implementing our event.

Finally, the Sustainability Tips and Tricks Guide ([http://www.uefa.org/MultimediaFiles/Download/uefaorg/General/02/26/41/85/2264185\\_DOWNLOAD.pdf](http://www.uefa.org/MultimediaFiles/Download/uefaorg/General/02/26/41/85/2264185_DOWNLOAD.pdf)) has been written for all UEFA EURO 2016 stakeholders and details 15 simple ways to play an active part in protecting the environment.

## Legend

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### :: Previous meetings

Goals for/against: Goal totals include the outcome of disciplinary decisions (e.g. match forfeits when a 3-0 result is determined). Goals totals do not include goals scored during a penalty shoot-out after a tie ended in a draw

### :: Squad list

**Qual.:** Total European Qualifiers appearances/goals for UEFA EURO 2016 only.

**FT:** Total UEFA EURO 2016 appearances/goals in final tournament only.

**Overall:** Total international appearances/goals.

**DoB:** Date of birth

**Age:** Based on the date press kit was last updated

**D:** Disciplinary (\*: misses next match if booked, S: suspended)

### :: Team facts

**EURO finals:** The UEFA European Championship was a four-team event in 1960, 1964, 1968, 1972 and 1976 (when the preliminary round and quarter-finals were considered part of qualifying).

From 1980 it was expanded to an eight-team finals and remained in that format in 1984, 1988 and 1992 until 1996, when the 16-team format was adopted. UEFA EURO 2016 is the first tournament to be played as a 24-team finals.

### Records of inactive countries

A number of UEFA associations have been affected by dissolution or splits of member associations. For statistical purposes, the records of these inactive countries have been allocated elsewhere: therefore, all Soviet Union matches are awarded to Russia; all West Germany – but not East Germany – matches are awarded to Germany; all Yugoslavia and Serbia & Montenegro matches are awarded to Serbia; all Czechoslovakia matches are allocated to both the Czech Republic and Slovakia.

### Abandoned/forfeited matches

For statistical purposes, when a match has been started and then abandoned but later forfeited, the result on the pitch at the time of abandonment is counted. Matches that never started and were either cancelled or forfeited are not included in the overall statistics.

## Competitions

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### Other abbreviations

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**(aet):** After extra time

**No.:** Number

**ag:** Match decided on away goals

**agg:** Aggregate

**AP:** Appearances

**Comp.:** Competition

**D:** Drawn

**DoB:** Date of birth

**ET:** Extra Time

**GA:** Goals against

**GF:** Goals for

**gg:** Match decided by golden goal

**L:** Lost

**Nat.:** Nationality

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**pens:** Penalties

**og:** Own goal

**P:** Penalty

**Pld:** Matches played

**Pos.:** Position

**Pts:** Points

**R:** Sent off (straight red card)

**Res.:** Result

**sg:** Match decided by silver goal

**t:** Match decided by toss of a coin

**W:** Won

**Y:** Booked

**Y/R:** Sent off (two yellow cards)

**N/A:** Not applicable